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Soviet Denounces Neutrality Pact

CHARGE OF OPEN AID TO GERMANY

"Situation Has Undergone Radical Change", Says Molotov

LONDON, April 5, (Reuter): Moscow radio tonight announced that the Soviet-Japanese Neutrality Pact has been denounced.

In a note to the Japanese Ambassador, Moscow radio said, the Soviet Government has declared its intention to denounce the pact of April 13, 1941.

The Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Sato, has promised to pass on the note to the Japanese Government.

CHARGE OF HELPING GERMANY

Moscow radio said: "At three o'clock this afternoon M. Molotov, Soviet Commissar for Foreign Affairs, received Mr. Sato, Japanese Ambassador to the Soviet Union, and made the following statement on behalf of Soviet Government:

The Neutrality Pact between the Soviet Union and Japan was concluded on April 13 1941, that is, before Germany's attack on the Soviet Union and before the outbreak of the war of Japan on the one hand and Britain and the United States on the other.

The situation has since undergone radical change: Germany has attacked the Soviet Union and Japan, Germany's ally has been lending assistance to the latter in her war against the Soviet Union. Furthermore Japan is waging war against the United States and Britain who are the Allies of the Soviet Union.

Under such circumstances the Neutrality Pact between Japan and Soviet Union has lost its meaning and its continuation becomes impossible.

In view of the above and in accordance with Paragraph III of the Pact which provides for the Right of denunciation one year before the expiration of this five-year pact, the Soviet Government hereby declares its intention to the Japanese Government to denounce the pact of April 13, 1941.

The Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Sato, has promised to bring the declaration of the Soviet Government to the attention of the Japanese Government.

Reuter adds that coming just two months before the German attack on Russia on June 22, 1941, the pact was at the time of vital importance to the Soviet Union, as it secured her eastern territories from aggression in the Pacific when a German Mass invasion in Europe seemed possible.

TEXT OF PACT.

According to the text of broadcast at the time by Moscow radio the pact contained the following clauses:

Firstly, both the contracting parties agree to maintain peaceful and friendly relations between them and to respect each other's territorial integrity and inviolability.

Secondly, should one of the contracting parties be the object of military action by one or more States the other contracting party will observe neutrality throughout the whole duration of the conflict.

Thirdly, the pact shall come into force as soon as its ratification is completed and shall be in force for a period of five years. Unless previously denounced. It shall be automatically regarded as renewed for further five years.

The first sign of change in Russo-Japanese relations occurred exactly one year ago—on April 5, 1944 when Japan made new concessions to Russia in Sakhalin Island stretching south from Siberia towards Japan.

JAP WARLORDS GALLED AT SOVIET PRESS WARNINGS OF DEFEAT IN PACIFIC

The Associated Press of America gives the following background of the Russo-Japanese relations:

Russia's natural interest in an outlet on the Pacific via the seas of Okhotsk and Japan led her Czarist rulers to a head-on collision with the Japanese imperialists which resulted in the war of 1904-05.

Defeated, imperial Russia had to cede to Japan her port rights at Darien and the important north-south railway in Manchuria. Fighting off revolution at home, the Czarist government never made a comeback, had to watch Japan annex Korea and begin building an empire in Manchuria.

After the first World War and the Soviet Revolution, Japanese troops invaded Siberia, along with American and British expeditionary forces. The Japanese did not leave Vladivostok until 1923.

In 1931 the Japanese took over Manchuria and soon set up the puppet state of Manchoukuo. The powerful Japanese garrison force, the Kwantung army, laid active plans for the invasion and conquest of eastern Siberia. But Tokyo hesitated. Hundreds of incidents occurred along the long and ill-defined Manchurian frontier.

Two developed into serious fighting. At Chanoufeng, on the eastern Manchurian-Korean-Siberian border in 1938, hostilities went on for weeks. The following year at Nomonhan, on the western Manchurian-Outer Mongolian border, a very serious engagement took place. The announced Japanese casualties were nearly 20,000 in an extended battle involving large forces of tanks and planes.

After this "incident" in which the Japanese took an impressive beating, relations were cool but correct.

The Pact Of 1941

Both nations had other things to think about. Stymied in China Japan was toying with the idea of grabbing the rest of Asia while

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"SHIVER MONEY"

LONDON, April 5. (U. P. A.): The "Evening Standard" to-day reported that half of Antwerp's buildings have been destroyed by V-bombs and that Belgian port workers get six dollars per day extra "shiver" money because of danger.

FLYING BOMB SITE IN FRANCE

As they advanced into the Pas de Calais area in France, British troops came upon many of the Germans' flying bomb launching sites. This picture is of a site which was never completed, the Germans being forced to abandon completion of the work and make a hasty withdrawal.

JAIL DELIVERY IN WAVELL TALKS

Whitehall May Evolve Formula To Create Healthy Atmosphere

Means To Strengthen Indian Delegates' Position At San Francisco Conference

(From Our Correspondent)
LONDON, April 5.

The talks between Lord Wavell and Mr. Amery and other officials at the India Office are going on smoothly and most satisfactorily according to unofficial sources. There has been good progress in the discussions affecting political prisoners in India, which, along with the Desai formula for formation of a representative National Government is the main subject at present.

Sir F. Mudie's participation therein is most significant. There is reason to believe that formula is being evolved for release of political prisoners and the creation of new and healthy atmosphere all over India which may strengthen position of Indian delegates at San Francisco.

It is believed Sir Feroz Khan Noon and Sir A. R. Mudaliar will join in the discussions at a later stage. The Prime Minister is being kept fully informed of the progress of discussions.

LONDON REACTION TO SAPRU CABLE

LONDON, (Thursday). (Reuter): From Reuter's Political Correspondent: Official circles in London today declined to comment upon the proposals contained in the telegram from Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru, Chairman of the Conciliation Committee of the Indian Non-Party Leaders Conference, to Lord Wavell now in England.

It would be natural to assume, however, that the proposals which have just been received will be accorded the most careful consideration of the Secretary of State, Mr. Amery, Lord Wavell and the Cabinet, whose interest in the deliberations of the Sapru Committee has already been indicated.

Mr. Amery shortly before the arrival in England of Lord Wavell told London representatives of the Indian Press that both the Viceroy and the Imperial Government had fully shared the anxiety of all reasonable men to see the end of the impasse.

"It has been constantly in their minds," he observed, "and we have all naturally watched with sympathy the efforts of the Committee under the Chairmanship of Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru, and look forward with interest to their outcome".

MENON RETICENT.

Mr. Krishna Menon, an Indian Nationalist Leader in Britain, invited to comment on the proposals in the Sapru telegram, said that these were delicate negotiations and he would hesitate to comment upon details while they are going forward. Every reasonable person, however, would probably regard the Sapru proposals as seeming moderate, reasonable and practical in spirit, and as containing two essential ingredients for a settlement—release of political prisoners and agreement about a National Government.

"There is now widespread demand in Britain for a settlement", he declared. "Things are greatly altered from the time when this demand was confined to a few specialists. There is now a general public feeling that the Indian situation cannot be left where it is".

PROVINCES CAN FORM ELECTORAL COLLEGES

Mr. P. B. Seal, Chairman, Committee of Indian Congressmen in Britain, said: "I am particularly interested in the Sapru Committee's first point with regard to the release of political prisoners. This is a matter upon which the Committee of Indian Congressmen has been spending much time in the past few months. I am strongly in agreement with the broad principles of the Sapru proposals with some reservations and amendments. I fully appreciate the supreme need of the release of Indian political legislators so that provincial parliaments can come into existence and provincial legislatures can begin to function.

"I consider this a very important step because if there be any disagreement between party leaders regarding the Central Government, Provincial Legislators can form an electoral college to settle all outstanding disputes. It must not be forgotten that provincial legislators are elected by the people. I have given special emphasis during the past few months; in conversations with members of the British Parliament to the point that one of surest ways of lifting the present deadlock is by abrogating the proclamation for suspension of provincial legislatures.

HITLER'S DOOMSDAY

(From Our Correspondent)
ZURICH, April 5.

Hitler's astrologers, told Hitler that his fifty-eighth birthday on April 25 was the most critical day in his life.

Frontier reports say he has returned to Berchtesgaden where he sits surrounded by a double guard scared of Allied parachutists.

WAVELL'S TALKS WITH MINISTERS

MANCHESTER Thursday (Reuter): The London correspondent of the "Manchester Guardian" writes today: "Lord Wavell is in the thick of his consultations with ministers and they are likely to continue for about a fortnight.

It is with Mr. Churchill and Mr. Amery that Lord Wavell is discussing the constitutional issue.

Even if a new impulse towards political settlement should result from Lord Wavell's mission, we shall not hear of it for some time—probably not until the Viceroy is back in India. In a day or two, the War Cabinet is to take up discussions and Lord Wavell will be present. That will be the culminating point of the Viceroy's Mission."

PRINCES SEE VICTORY APPROACHING

LONDON, April 4 (Reuter): Sixteen Indian Princes with their retinues will visit London this summer. They include the Nawabs of Bhopal, Bahawalpur, Rampur, and Jaora, and the Maharajahs of Indore, Mysore, and Jaipur, according to the "Daily Express."

Many of them are wanted to be here for victory celebrations, and are expected here in June, adds the paper.

CONCILIATION COMMITTEE

Likely To Conclude Session Tomorrow

NEW DELHI, April 5. (U.P.I.). The "United Press" understands that the Conciliation Committee has so far adopted about 12 resolutions on various subjects including the composition of cabinets and houses of Legislatures in the provinces and the Centre. Pakistan and future economic development. The Committee is likely to adopt three or four more resolutions in the course of its present session which is likely to conclude on April 7. The resolution on Pakistan, it is learnt, was passed practically unanimously.

Reaction To British Women's Appeal

LONDON, April 5. (A. P. A.): Quarters close to Indian and Empire matters, while not wanting to express an opinion on the wording of the appeal led by 99 prominent Englishwomen to the Prime Minister and the Viceroy regarding the release of the political prisoners, agree that the "general desire in India is for the political deadlock to come to an early end". They emphasized also that the Indian Delegation is not in London "to get instructions for San Francisco". They contend that invitations to attend means definite recognition of the international status of India as an independent state.

JAPANESE CABINET RESIGNS

GEN. KOISO MAKES PLACE FOR BARON KANTARO SUZUKI

LONDON, April 5, (Reuter): The Japanese news agency reports that the Japanese Cabinet under General Koiso resigned to-day.

The Japanese news agency reports that the Conference of Senior Japanese Statesman has decided to recommend Admiral Baron Kantaro Suzuki, President of the Privy Council, to succeed Gen. Koiso as Prime Minister.

The Admiral later saw the Japanese Emperor who instructed his to form a new Cabinet, the agency added.

CAUSE OF RESIGNATION

Tokio radio today reported that an extraordinary Cabinet meeting was held at the Japanese Prime Minister's official residence at 9 a.m. today. "All Cabinet members headed by Gen. Kuniaki Koiso, Prime Minister, were present" the radio said. The meeting discussed "current matters" and adjourned at noon.

Later the Japanese Prime Minister went to the Imperial Palace and ubmitted a report of the meeting to the Emperor.

General Kuniaki Koiso has been the Prime Minister of Japan since July last year, when he formed a Government to succeed Gen. Tojo.

Later an official communique issued in Tokyo said: "In view of the gravity of the situation the Cabinet has decided to resign 'en bloc' in order to open the way for a far more powerful administration.

Premier Koiso accordingly tendered collective resignation of his Cabinet to the throne today."

Military Setback At Root Of It

From Reuter's diplomatic correspondent: The resignation of the Japanese Cabinet has been quite clearly caused by the series of reverses suffered by the Japanese Army and Navy in the last few weeks. This Cabinet, which took power after the Saipan failure, has shown itself incapable of dealing with the growing Allied successes in Burma, the Philippines and the Pacific islands. The terrific airraids on Tokyo itself and other important Japanese centres have also shaken the confidence of the people.

Recent organisational changes made in the Government and military leadership were an attempt to reassure public opinion, but it is obvious that these have not been sufficient. Japanese Governments are in the habit of going through a series of purely formal moves to try and impress the country that they have the situation well in hand. Events have moved so fast in recent weeks that even to the well-trained and propagandised Japanese people it must be obvious that the situation can no longer be affected by purely formal resignations. The Japanese crisis today is not a political one but caused by grave economic weaknesses which affect the war potential and serious military and naval weaknesses which are causing cracks to appear in every field where the Allies choose to strike with their combined might.

Argentine Interns Jap Diplomats

BUENOSAIRES THURSDAY, (Reuter): The Government has issued a decree for the internment of all Japanese diplomatists and consular officials and their respective house-holds while awaiting interchange. The Government has also decided to confiscate Axis States' property.

JAP-NAZI LIAISON BREAKING DOWN?

LONDON, April 5 (Reuter): Admiral Abe appointed by the Japanese Emperor to be the "Admiral of Europe" is leaving Berlin for Stockholm, reports the Stockholm correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph."

The correspondent lists three reasons for the move: firstly, Admiral Abe will control the Japanese side of a blockade running by large ocean-going U-boats between Japan and Norway which the German naval staff intends to initiate.

Secondly, the Japanese General Staff thinks that the European war cannot last longer than the end of May at the latest.

Thirdly, Liaison between the Nazis and the Japanese is gradually breaking down partly owing to mutual mistrust and contempt and partly because tho Japanese have already squeezed the Nazis dry of their military and industrial secrets.

Khan Abdul Gaffar Khan who is in Bombay now, snapped with Seth Birla's children

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New York, April 5.

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National Week Celebrations: Today's Programme

Khadi & Village Industries Exhibition At Matunga

The Secretary of the National Week Exhibition Committee, Matunga, writes:

Khadi village industries and handicrafts' Exhibition will be inaugurated by Sjt. S. N. Agarwal of Wardha at 7 p.m. to-day (Friday). A reception will be given to Sjt. Agarwal to-day morning at Dadar Station where he arrives.

At 9 a.m. Srimati Sarojini Naidu will unfurl the flag at the National Week Exhibition Pandal, at Nappoo Gardens, Matunga.

In addition to the exhibition and sale of all village industries products, including Khadi there will also be a Congress presidential gallery, health gallery, art photographic, press galleries. The Health Department of the Bombay Municipality will demonstrate health films.

At 8 p.m., Mrs. Raghaviah, will give a music performance. The admission fee for the Exhibition will be As. 1.

PROGRAMME AT GIRGAUM.

The Girgaum District Congress Committee will have its Flag Salutation on Friday, April 6, at 9 a.m., at Model House, Proctor Road behind Congress House. Prof. D. R. Gharpure will hoist the Flag.

The Walkeshwar Taluka Congress Samiti will have its Flag Salutation at Pushpa Villa, Dadi Seth Road, Babulnath Road and not at Marina Mansion Modern School as previously announced.

There will be Mass Spinning on behalf of Girgaum District Congress Committee at Talim Art Studio opp. Jinnah Hall, V. P. Road, Girgaum.

"G" WARD PROGRAMME.

Flag Salutations will be held at the following places in "G" ward.

"G" Ward Dist. at 9 a.m. Om Samarth Bharat Vyayam Mandir "Y" Road Dadar, Shri N. S. Hardikar will unfurl the flag.

Mahim T.C.C. at 8-15 a.m. Poona wadi Dharavi.

Lower Parel at 8-15 a.m. Madhav Bhuvan opp. B. B. Workshop DeLisle Road.

Love Grove at 8-15 a.m. Sambhu Kamathi Chawl DeLisle Road (South)

Prabhadevi at 8-15 a.m. Bhagwandas wadi Prabhdevi Vyayam Mandir compound.

Worli at 8-15 a.m at Worli Kolliwada.

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KHADI & VILLAGE INDUSTRIES EXHIBITION AT POONA

(From Our Correspondent)

POONA, April 5.

A Khadi and Village Industries Exhibition will be opened here tomorrow in connection with National Week celebrations. Prof. J. K. Kumarappa, General Secretary, All-India Village Industries Association will declare it open. Mr. B. G. Kher will hoist the National Flag in the evening in the Shiwaji Akhada where the Exhibition has been arranged.

A German Army medical officer, captured by Seventh U. S. Army troops advancing east of the Rhine River, bandages the head of a wounded Russian soldier liberated by the Americans from a German prison camp. (U.S.O.W.I. Radiophoto)

ATTEMPT AT CHEATING

Goldsmith Arrested For Alleged Trick On Seller Of Gold Chain

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Amratlal Anandji, a city goldsmith was arrested by the Bombay Police yesterday. The accused, it is said, was approached by a man who wanted to sell his gold chain valued at Rs. 612.

The bargain having been struck at the accused's shop at Sheikh Memon Street on Wednesday afternoon the client handed over the chain to the goldsmith, who took it to his foundry and split it into tiny bits. The goldsmith then came to the seller and offered to pay him Rs. 536.

Finding the behaviour of the accused slightly fishy the owner of the article claimed his chain back, whereupon the goldsmith is alleged to have denied point-blank that he had received any gold ornament from the complainant at all.

Thereupon an altercation ensued between the two and a large crowd collected outside the shop.

Some members of the crowd sympathising with the duped man tried to intervene in the matter to which the goldsmith told them to mind their own business. He was thereafter marched to the police station where he was placed under arrest.

The gold chain was found on his person, cut into several pieces, when the police searched the accused at the station.

KHAN BAHADUR BILLIMORIA DEAD

Bombay's Pioneer Impressaris

The "Bombay Chronicle" regrets to announce the death of Khan Bahadur A. R. Billimoria, which took place at New Charni Road on Thursday morning. Though the Khan Bahadur has been leading a retired life for the last seven years, he is still remembered as one of the pioneers in the cinema industry and perhaps the foremost impressario of the city.

His was a familiar figure to the patrons of the "Excelsior" Theatre, who will recall his unfailing courtesy and charm of manners. His association with that theatre began in 1906,

when as a young man he was appointed Secretary of the Excelsior Theatre Syndicate. By dint of merit and hard work he rose to be its Managing Director and on the amalgamation of the Syndicate with Madan Theatres, he joined the Board of Directors of the combine and directed its destinies until 1938, when the Excelsior and associate theatres passed into other hands.

To Khan Bahadur Billimoria goes the credit of having sponsored the largest number of foreign dramatic and operatic companies and artistes.

The Russian Ballet, Bandmann's Gilbert and Sullivan operas, Sir Hary Lauder, Dame Clara Butt and the inimitable Pavlova—all were introduced to India by the Khan Bahadur who enjoyed the personal friendship of most of these world-famous stars.

The entertainment world of Bombay—and for that matter of India—has suffered a grievous loss in the death of Khan Bahadur Billimoria, who was its asset even in his retirement. He leaves behind him a vast circle of friends to mourn his demise.

AIR FORCE DESERTER CHEATED?

Companion Said To Have Misappropriated His Money Order

BOMBAY, Thursday.

How a deserter of the Indian Air Force was swindled by his companion was narrated before Mr. K. C. Thakore, Presidency Magistrate at the Girgaum Police Court to-day.

It appears Abdul Majid Fazal was a deserter of the I.A.F. and lived in Ibrahim Street, at Tardeo, with one Rustomji Nusserwanji and Khurshedali Khan Mahmoodalikhan. Abdul Majid's purse having been exhausted he wrote to his father in Jaora State to send him some money. The father sent money by Telegraph Money Order but before he received the same he left for Jaora State and the Money Order was received by his companion, Khurshedali Khan who signed as "Abdul Majid Fazal."

At Jaora Abdul Majid's father informed him that the money was already sent to Bombay. He came to Bombay and found that his friend Khurshedali has already vanished from the room.

On Wednesday, Rustomji and another companion of the complainant saw the accused and arrested him with the help of a constable.

The Magistrate ordered the accused to be released on bail of Rs. 500 or in custody till April 19.

TRAGIC END OF 6 DOCK WORKERS

Inquest Adjourned Pending Investigations

BOMBAY, Thursday.

A pathetic scene was witnessed this morning at the J. J. Hospital morgue when a large number of friends and relatives of those 6 persons who were crushed to death under the debris of a wall of a building which collapsed at New Chinch Bunder Road, Dongri last evening, turned up to have the last glimpse of the dead bodies before they were disposed of.

Among the deceased persons—of whom mostly were Dock labourers—there was an aged father and his young son. Both of them, it is stated, after finishing the day's work sat down on the foot-path to take some rest before going to their residence. They were engaged in a friendly talks with other deceased and some other persons when suddenly the wall of a godown collapsed and 6 persons were crushed to death under the debris.

The Bombay Coroner held a preliminary inquest on the bodies and adjourned further inquest pending investigation.

LUDWIG ON HITLER'S FUTURE

Mussolini May Commit Suicide

LONDON, April 5. (U. P. A.): Switzerland will never consent to grant refuge to Benito Mussolini, the former Italian dictator, or any other major war criminal, Emil Ludwig, widely known writer and biographer, said today in a statement to the press.

Ludwig said he was authorized to deny widespread rumours about Switzerland's intentions with regard to war criminals.

The writer, who arrived here 'en route' to Switzerland after five years residence in the United States, added:

"Switzerland is entirely anti-Fascist. The Swiss people in the Piedmont Canton (province) along the Italo-Swiss border are so opposed to Mussolini that there would be demonstrations and possible riots should any question arise by granting Mussolini refuge in any part of the Swiss domain."

Ludwig said he had reliable reports that Mussolini's mind has been increasingly affected by his troubles to-day, he asserted, Mussolini has a sort of religious fervor which may lead him to commit suicide in an effort to establish himself as a "martyr".

The writer described Hitler as a fanatic who will attempt to save his life, so that he can continue in leadership of underground groups. Eventually, he thought, if Hitler escapes, he will try to stage a return to Germany and again seize power. There is a strong possibility, however, that Hitler soon may be killed by his own Nazi colleagues because they now consider him to be a liability.

Sweden & War Criminals

LONDON, April 5. (Reuter): The Swedish radio broadcast an interview with the Swedish Minister of Justice in which he declared that the only solution of the problem of war criminals entering Sweden under assumed names was to refuse entry into Sweden generally to refugees.

Centre For Welfare Of Indian Seamen

LONDON, Thursday (Reuter). An Indian centre for the welfare of Indian seamen and workers in Great Britain has been opened in the West-end in London. Mr. Firoze Uddin and Mr. Sam Quereshi Secretary of the Indian Seamen's Welfare League, are in charge of the centre, which provides facilities for social gatherings, temporary accommodation and supply of Indian food.

Mr. Quereshi told Reuter that since the opening of the Centre this week more than 200 workers and seamen have visited the centre every day.

HYDERABAD TROOPS HELP SOVIET RUSSIA

Doing Good Job In Persia And Iraq

(From Our Correspondent)

HYDERABAD (By Mail)

The Hyderabad Battalion, under the Persia and Iraq Command, has it is reported spent a strenuous time performing vital duties. It has been on active service overseas for the last four years.

At the end of 1943, when the Battalion was engaged in Railway protection duties, the news of a move was received, and shortly afterwards the Battalion was on its way by lorry convoy to a fresh station in Iran.

On arrival at the new station, the Battalion found that the advance party had done its job well and all they had to do was to settle into their new home.

Work started immediately, the Battalion taking over road protection and guard duties.

The Battalion's third year overseas has been an improvement on previous years. There has been greater opportunity for training. Officers, V. C. O.'s and men have been able to get leave and the NAAFI has kept the men well supplied with all requirements. The Battalion has done well in sports tournaments, winning the football, cross country and rifle shooting events.

The Battalion's fourth Id overseas was celebrated on September 19, 1944.

On the conclusion of prayers 21 grenades were fired to present a salute to the Nizam of Hyderabad and Berar.

This is not a story of strenuous action against the enemy but of duty performed under trying conditions in extremes of temperatures, sometimes dull, often very boring, but of vital importance in the Allied Aid to the war effort of the U.S.S.R. These men of the Hyderabad Battalion, together with the other Indian troops in the Persia and Iraq Command, are doing an important job, and doing it well.

"Mahasabha Alone Represents Hindus"

LAHORE, April 4 (A.P.I.): The assertion that the Hindu Mahasabha alone represents the Hindu viewpoint has been made by the General Secretary of the Punjab Provincial Hindu Sabha in a cable sent to Mr. Churchill today.

The telegram says: Hindu India unequivocally opposes the futile policy of appeasing the Muslims or attempting to reduce the great Hindu majority into a minority or not maintaining its proper proportion either in the Central Legislature or Cabinet."

A copy of the telegram has also been sent to Mr. L. S. Amery, Secretary of State for India.

CHILE DECLARES WAR AGAINST JAPAN?

SANTIAGO, April 4 (Reuter): The Chilean Senate to-day approved by 21 votes to six to carry through urgently a Bill laid before it by the Executive, authorising declaration of a state of war with Japan.

The Bill will be taken in a secret session when the Senate will hear reasons for the Executive's decision.

HOUSING EXPLOSION VICTIMS

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The temporary tenements constructed on Arthur Road to accommodate the men and women whose houses were destroyed in the explosion of April 1944, were opened to-day by Mr. Nagindas T. Master, Mayor of Bombay.

Mr. Mirchandani, Municipal Commissioner said that the project cost six lakhs of rupees of which 4 1/2 lakhs were met by Government and the rest by the Peoples Relief Committee. The idea was to construct 30 blocks of ten rooms each. They had received 800 applications and they could select only 300.

All the blocks are not yet erected as material has not yet been made available, but they are expected to be completed before the monsoon.

Mr. Nagindas Master said that the calamity that overtook the city was unprecedented and as usual the citizens of Bombay had responded magnificently. He thanked all the persons whose co-operation was responsible for alleviating the distress.

Mr. N. V. Modak, City Engineer, proposed the vote of thanks to the Mayor.

Brothers Sued For Higher Marriage Expenses

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Bhagwati).

Rupsundri Devkaran Nanjee ..... Plaintiff

Versus

1. Chunilal Devkaran Nanjee
2. Pranlal Devkaran Nanjee ..... Defendants.

The plaintiff filed this suit against her brothers as managers of the joint family claiming Rs. 50.000 out of the estate in their hands. She alleged that her father had left an estate worth Rs. 20 lakhs and that it had gone up in value to Rs. 1 crore. The plaintiff had been engaged to be married to one Dr. Maniar.

The defendants alleged that at the time of his death the liabilities of their father's estate exceeded its assets, that under a certain consent decree in a suit filed in 1924, they had a discretion to fix the amount of the marriage expenses of the unmarried daughters, and that they had fixed the same at Rs. 5.000 which they considered quite adequate.

The hearing of the suit is proceeding.

Mr. S. R. Tendulkar, the Advocate-General Mr. C. K. Daphtary and Mr. D. B. Desai instructed by Messrs. Chandrasen and Co., appeared for the plaintiff.

Mr. V. F. Taraporevala and Mr. M. M. Jhaveri instructed by Messrs. Captain and Vaidya appeared for the defendants.

Calcutta Share Market

CALCUTTA, April 5.

The market generally ruled dull. Government securities kept steady.

Following are to-day's final transactions up to 3-00 p.m.:—

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES: Three per cent Government Paper 90/8, three per cent Victory Bonds 1957 99/14, three per cent Loan 1963/65 98/14, three and a half per cent Government Paper 99/10/6.

BANK: Reserve Bank 134 CT.

COTTONS: Benares Cotton 11/15, Elgin Mills 63/8, Cawnpore Textiles 12/15 Dunbar 285, Kesoram 16/12, New Victoria Ordy. 7/2, Do. (Pref) 8/11.

COALS: Bengal 675, Bhalgora 19/15, Burra Dhemo 11/12 Dhemo Main 26/11, East Indian 36/12, Ghusick and Musila 14/8, Lakurka 51/8, Nazira 19/10, North Damuda 16/3, Samla 9/8, Searsole 12/4 CT, South Karanpura 28/8, Talcher 11/13, Bokaro and Ramgur 47/6, Burrakur 40/13, Equitable 66, Katras Jherriah 60/14, New Beerbhoom 39/4, Pench Valley 51/4, Satpukuria and Asansol 10/2.

JUTES: Anglo-India 469, Ganges 550, India Jute 691, Kankinarrah 574, Presidency 11/12, Barnagore Jute 218 S. Lot, Howrah 87/10, Kamarhatty 686, Nuddea 124.

MISCELLANEOUS: Burma 5/2, Copper 2/14, Assam Bengal Cement 17/14, Dalmia Cement 16/8, Alkali and Chemical 28/4, Arthur Butler 25/1, Bhartia Elc. Steel 21/6, Braithwaite and Co. 11/2 CT, Indian Iron 38/10, Jessop and Co. 23/12, Steel Corpn. Ordy. 32/4, Kumardhubi Eng. 10/1, National Iron 11/8, British Ceylon Corpn. 18/8 Cum Div., B. I. Corpn. 6/3, British Burma Petroleum 4/14, India Paper Pulp 222, Orient Paper 29/8, Star Paper 15/7, Titaghur Paper 27, Midnapore Zemindary 169 S. Lots, India Genl. Navgn. 183.

SUGARS: Belsund 14/13, Carew 26/5, Ramnugger Cane 14/2.

TEAS: Kingsley Golaghat 750, Mothola 625, New Cinnatolliam 482/8, Rutema 19/9.—A. P. I.

RADICAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY: The Secretary of the Bombay Radical Democratic Party writes to say that the party will contest the forthcoming Municipal by-election in Mazagaon. The by-election is caused due to the resignation of Mr. S. C. Joshi who is now Labour Commissioner to the Government of India.

INDIAN MERCHANTS' CHAMBER: The Chief Controller of Imports, Government of India, met the Import-Export Sub-Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber, on the 5th April, 1945, at the Office of the Chamber, when the following points were discussed:—

Import of cornelwood blocks for manufacture of shuttles; Licensing of imports of dyes and chemicals; Import licenses for millstores; Import of empty collapsible tubes from United Kingdom; Licenses for import of machine tools; Import of Telephone equipments; Import licenses for watches; Import of synthetic resin, and Import of Provisions.

Mutton Strike Called Off

Meat Supplies Expected By Sunday

(From Our Correspondent)

BANDRA, April 5.

At a special meeting of some of the members of the Sheep and Goat Merchants Association held this evening at Bandra, Mr. Mohammed Hanif, President of the Association, said that on the initiative of Mr. D. S. Bakhale, Director of Civil Supplies, the matter with regard to the mutton strike was discussed with the Municipal Commissioner, when it was agreed that the Chairman would ask the Municipal Corporation at the first meeting which is expected to take place on April 10, to reconsider the enhanced tax. On this the Association has agreed to call off the strike on condition that the old levy of fees would be charged until reconsideration by the Municipal Corporation. The Municipal Commissioner who agreed to this took a surety for the recovery of the additional tax for the period the matter would be under consideration, in case the Municipal Corporation failed to agree to their enforced tax.

On this settlement being reached said Mr. Hanif we have within a short time send 200 telegrams to merchants in various places in India, to rail their cattle and we expect that the public of Bombay City and the Suburbs will get some supplies of mutton by Sunday morning.

CORRESPONDENCE WITH BULGARIA.

Persons and concerns in British India are now permitted to carry on correspondence with persons and concerns in Bulgaria, subject to the condition that business and financial correspondence is confined to ascertaining facts and exchanging information. Letters from India must not exceed two ounces in weight.

Hotel Owners' Association Secretary Repudiates Civil Supply Director's Statement

The Hon. Sec. of the Bombay Hotel and Suburban Hotel Owners' Association draws the attention to the incorrectness of some of the statements made by Mr. D. S. Bakhale, Director of Civil Supplies, at the Press Conference on March 29.

This correspondent points out that the member of the Hotel Keepers on the Hotel Trade Panel of the Food Advisory Council only suggested that the service of tea and coffee prepared from whole milk may be stopped at 10 p. m., and had not at all put forth the proposition that the hotels might be closed at 10 p. m. as it is wrongfully interpretated. He calls this Civil Supply Director's allegation not only false but deliberately mischievous.

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Sunrise: 7-29 a.m. Sunset: 7-54 p.m.
Hightide: 5-42, 19-55.
Lowtide: 12-24, —.

Domestic Occurrence

DEATH

BILIMORIA, Khan Bahadur Ardeshir Rustomji (late of Excelsior Theatre) father of Lim and Rusi expired Thursday, at 10-30 a.m., funeral to-day morning, at 8-30 a.m. (N. S. T), Doongerwadi Upper Bungli.

To-day's Engagements

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Study Class on "Where are the Dead?" Jehangir Wadia Building, Flora Fountain, to-day (Friday), 6-15 p.m.

BYCULLA Y. M. C. A. CURRENT TOPICS CLUB: Meeting of the Club, to-day (Friday), at 7-30 p.m. Mr. M. Kumaramangalam will speak on "Planning in India".

VITHAL SAYANA CIVIL HOSPITAL: Mr. I. H. Taunton, I.C.S., Adviser to H. E. the Governor, will declare open the extension of Vithal Sayana Civil Hospital at Thana, on Saturday, the 7th instant, at 5 p.m.

BARKOOR BILLAVA CHARITY SANGHA: The Karnatak Friends' Union (Dramatic Branch) will stage a Historical Kannada Drama "Swatantra Sangrama" in aid of the above Sangha, to-day (Friday) at 8-30 p.m., at Bhangwadi Theatre Kalbadevi Road.

FREEDOM GROUP: Babu Laxmi Narayen, Secretary Bihar Charkha Sangh, will give a talk to the Freedom Group on "A New Orientation of the Constructive Programme," at Blavatsky Lodge French Bridge to-day (Friday), at 6-30 p.m.

MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER'S ROUND: The Municipal Commissioner and the Councillors of Ward No. 19 (Chinchpokli Love Grove) will meet near the Kermani Market (Junction of Arthur Road and DeLisle Road), on Saturday, at 6-51 a.m. (B. T.) 8-30 a.m. (S. T.), to go round the Ward.

FREE FILM SHOW: On Monday, a Film show was given by Hindu Dharma Matha (Mission) to poor and homeless public free of charge. The subject was how to keep healthy. This matha renders medical and other assistance to the disabled and destitute Hindus.

MATRIC STUDENTS' MEETING: A meeting of all those students who have appeared this year for their Matriculation Examination will be held at the Hall, of the Bombay Students' Union (42, Kennedy Bridge) at 5-30 p.m., today (Friday). Mr. Prahalad Mehta will speak on the petition sent to the Vice-Chancellor of the University as regards the difficult nature of the Algebra Paper drawn for this year.

TECHNICAL TRAINING SCHEME EXHIBITION

The Government of India Technical Training Scheme Exhibition will be opened this (Friday) evening in the Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute, Matunga, at 6 p.m., by Mr. M. P. Kanga, Director of Industries, Government of Bombay. Brigadier C. Southgate, M.C., will take the Salute of the trainees. The Exhibition is open to the public free on 6th from 6-30 to 7-30 p.m., on the 7th from 4 to 7 p.m. and on the 8th from 4-30 to 7-30 p.m.

GRIEVANCES OF BANDRA BUS WORKERS

Appeal To Authorities To Avoid Unpleasantness By Granting Demands

BANDRA, April 4.

A joint general meeting of the workers of Bandra Bus Co., Ghar Kamgars and Rasoi Kamgars was held at Khar under the auspices of Bandra Bus Co. K. Union and G. K. and R. K. Unions.

At the outset a resolution was passed strongly condemning the sentence of death on Chimur and Ashti prisoners and urging the Government to commute the sentences.

Messrs. Pishorilal and Anil Mavani pointed out that despite repeated representations to the management of Bandra Bus Co., it turned a deaf ear to their legitimate demands of increase in basic pay, adequate dearness allowance, bonus, etc. The patience of the workers was streched to its farthest limit.

The unreasonable attitude of the Company was forcing the workers to precipitate a crisis. The speakers appealed to the authorities to consider sympathetically their demands and thus avoid unpleasant consequences.

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New Lady Doctor For Jamnabai Charitable Dispensary

An experienced and qualified Lady Dr. (Mrs.) Kharkar has been appointed as a Medical Officer in charge of THE JAMNABAI CHARITABLE DISPENSARY established in 1909 from the 1st of April 1945. There were no facilities of a Lady Doctor for poor and middle class lady and children day-patients which is now provided by this appointment.

DHARWAR MUNICIPAL BOROUGH COUNCILLORS

The Government of Bombay proposes to extend the term of office of the councillors of Dharwar Municipal Borough by six months from April 17. Any objections must reach the Secretary, General Department, Government of Bombay, by April 11.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

BOMBAY—1
FRIDAY April 6.

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"MINISTRY OF FEAR"

Exciting Nazi Spy-Drama At Eros

Paramount's "Ministry of Fear" starring Ray Milland, Marjorie Reynolds, Carl Esmond and several others, showing at the Eros this week is an exciting spy melodrama with a well developed plot, which holds one's attention throughout because of its sinister mystery and almost screaming suspense.

Discharged out of a lunatic asylum, where he was committed for the mercy-killing of his wife, Ray Milland visits a charity bazar sponsored by the Mothers of Free Nations, where he wins a cake in a raffle. He is followed by an apparently blind man who knocks him down and makes good his escape with the cake. Suspecting spy activities Milland calls on the London office of the Mothers of Free Nations headed by Carl Esmond and his sister Marjorie Reynolds, Austrian refugees, who promise to help Milland. Thereafter he becomes involved in a mysterious murder staged by the spies during a seance and he is actually tricked to carry a bag with a bomb which almost killed him, till he was brought to safety by Scotland Yard. Milland eventually traps all the spies in a dramatic climax and the real spies are brought to books.

Fritz Lang, one of the foremost mystery directors directed this film and all the stars have given sterling performances.

"ENGLISH WITHOUT TEARS" AT EXCELSIOR

When Lady Christabel Beauclerk turns her great Mayfair house into a Club for Allied Services, lest her amazing butler go into the Army, pops her pinafore over her gown, dons gloves to clean the silver, and allows her charming niece Joan to start a class for "English Without Tears" in the drawing room, you may be sure you are going to investigate the lighter side of London in Wartime.

The stand-by of the House of Beauclerk is Gilbey, the perfect butler with whom the young Joan imagines herself desperately in love. But she only wants him when he is "out of reach" the impeccable Gilbey joins the army (It's all to the good of the army) and her Ladyship's niece gets frightfully muddled about it all when she sees the ex-Beauclerk Butler resplendent in Khaki with pips on. So first she does, and then she doesn't, first she will and then she won't, and then.....

How she solves her worries and gets her Thomas Gilbey "within reach" for good will keep any audience hilarious for ninety minutes "screen time", for "English Without Tears" has truly been described as the season's most "light-hearted, light-headed" romance. The film will be released at the Excelsior theatre today. The stars are Penelope Ward, Michael Wilding, Lilli Palmer, Claude Dauphin and Roland Culver; in the support are Margaret Rutherford, Peggy Cummins, Albert Lieven and Martin Miller.

"GYPSY WILDCAT" STAYS AT REGAL

Adventure combined with romance on a lavish scale is offered at the Regal Theatre in Universal's "Gipsy Wildcat", starring Maria Montez, Jon Hall and Peter Coe.

The picture, which starts its second week today, tells the colourful story of a gypsy girl, storm centre of love and hate, jealousy and greed. She is loved by two men—Jon Hall, dashing soldier of fortune and Peter Coe, romantic gypsy. As she wavers between the two, Baron Tover, murderous old reprobate, played by Douglass Dumbrille, places her in the position of either marrying him or sacrificing the lives of her beloved gypsy band.

The film is full of action and romantic excitement. Produced by George Waggner and directed by Roy William Neill, it features among its players Nigel Bruce, Leo Carrillo, Gale Sondergaard and Curt Bois.

GAY FILMUSICAL AT THE STRAND

A galaxy of screen favourites, a plot crammed with catchy tunes, side-splitting fun and novelty numbers go to make "Step Lively", which comes to the Strand this week, an outstanding screen musical. The Sextette of stars comprises Frank Sinatra, George Murphy, Adolphe Menjou, Gloria de Haven, Walter Slezak and Eugene Pallette.

This picture, incidentally, is one of those that goes direct to remote combat areas for display to the armed forces without charge, through the courtesy of the motion picture industry.

"GASLIGHT" SECOND WEEK AT METRO

"Gaslight" which has been drawing crowded houses is staying at the Metro for a second week.

"KISMET" AT THE AURORA

Ronald Colman and Marlene Dietrich in M-G-M's Technicolour triumph "Kismet" will be shown at the Aurora during the current week.

"MADAME CURIE" AT THE PALACE

A great romance was the motivating factor behind the great scientific discovery of radium. Greer Garson and Walter Pidgeon bring it to life in M-G-M's super filmization of Eve Curie's biography of her mother. "Madame Curie" which is at the Palace this week.

NEW EMPIRE

"The Princess and the Pirate" is being repeated at the New Empire during the week beginning from today.

MERLENE DIETRICH NOT A PRISONER

HOLLYWOOD:—Persistent reports recently current in U. S. that Marlene Dietrich, the famous film star, has been captured by the Nazis is denied by the USO-Camp-Shows authorities. Dietrich has been entertaining troops in the European theatre and some time playing close on the frontline. Latest reports say that she is in Paris where she is preparing new shows for the troops.—India Press Service.

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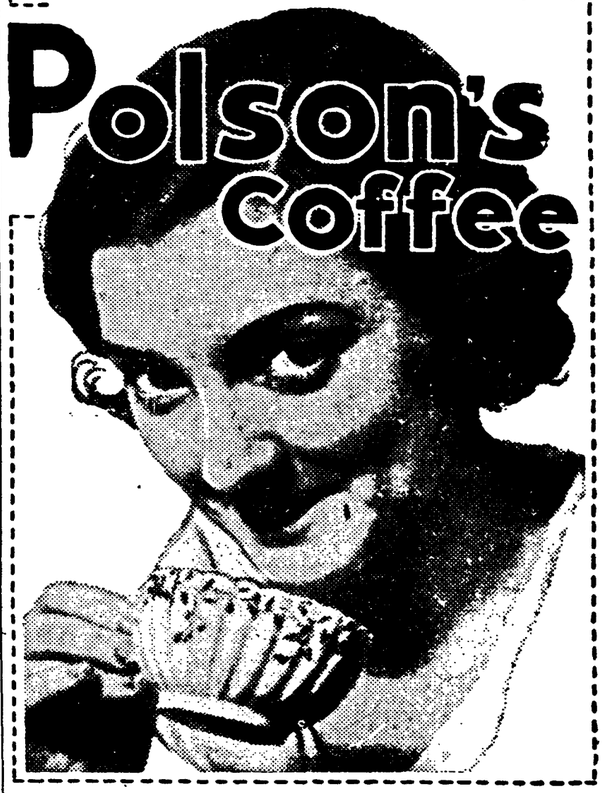

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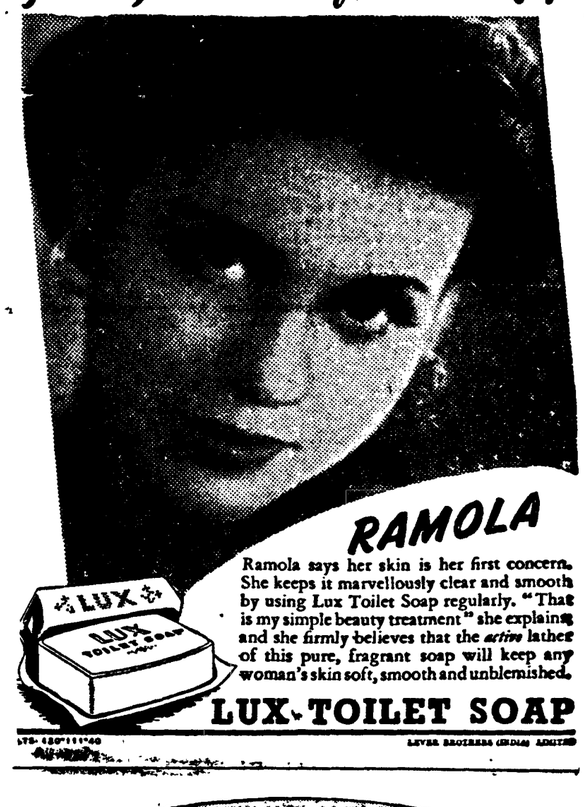

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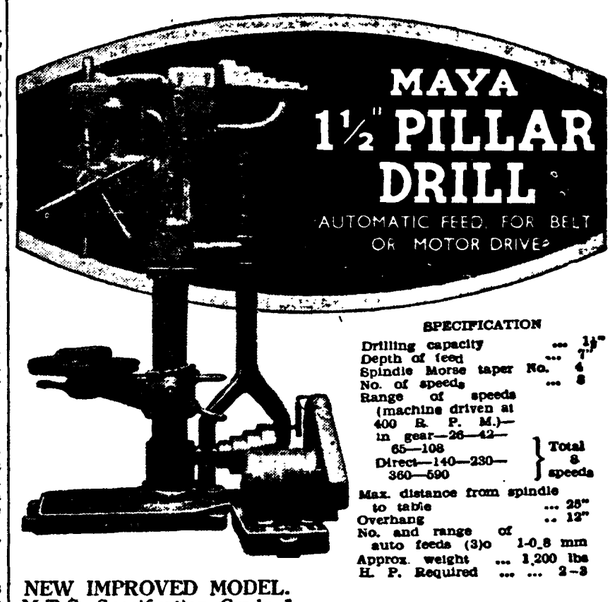

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POONA, April 5, (A. P. I.): Following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches recorded at 8 hours L. M. T. on 2nd April, 1945:—
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A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

America must choose one of the three courses after this war: narrow nationalism, which inevitably means the ultimate loss of our own liberty; international imperialism, which means the sacrifice of some other nation's liberty; or the creation of a world in which there shall be an equality of opportunity for every race and every nation.

—Wendell Willkie.

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NATIONAL WEEK

The week from 6th to 13th April has been celebrated in India as National Week for the last twenty-six years and there is good reason for the importance attached to it. The 6th of April 1919 has been regarded all these years as the day when, in the words of Mrs. Naidu, the country discovered its soul, its capacity for organised non-violent resistance to repression. As Gandhiji points out in his statement on the Week, we had, during the first National Week, "the unexpected and spontaneous manifestation of the villagers all over India." This was a revelation to the people and Government alike. The Jallianwala Bagh massacre followed on the 13th and it has been a perpetual reminder to us as to what price we sometimes have to pay for our subjection. Indeed, since then we have had repression in one form or other almost continuously, the last few years bringing up its climax. The repression may be the measure of the national struggle for independence, but the struggle has always thriven, and will continue to thrive, on repression. The National Week is an annual reminder to us of our duty to carry on the struggle undeterred by repression, however ruthless.

Ever since its inception the National Week has been celebrated with solid work as well as demonstrations. A protracted political struggle cannot do without demonstrations but these and conventional meetings can easily be, and have often been, overdone. Gandhiji has always rightly emphasised the need for more intensive constructive work during the Week. Done in the right spirit, and not merely in the make-believe fashion, such work not only enthuses the people but also strengthens them and develops their capacity for organised effort. Constructive work now demands special attention as militant programme has been suspended for the time being. And as a matter of fact, in spite of many Congress leaders and workers being still in jail, constructive work is now being carried on on a vast scale, perhaps as it was never done before. Probably that is at least one reason why Gandhiji says: "We were never nearer the goal than now in spite of our many blunders." We wish Gandhiji were more explicit about the blunders. But in all probability he refers to the lapses of many persons into violence as a result of the propaganda of misrepresentation carried on by officials and others suggesting that this time Congress leaders compromised their creed of non-violence.

Whatever may have been the blunders in the recent past, Gandhiji has clearly explained the nature of the work to be done hereafter. His fifteen-point programme admits of considerable variety of work, each locality taking up such activities as are suited to local conditions. The special importance of Khaddar of course remains for the reason, among others, that the work can be organised almost everywhere and produces a necessary of life for which there is a demand everywhere. But in his latest statement Gandhiji has reiterated what he has often explained in recent months, that Khaddar has now attained a wider connotation than before and that "it has become the central sun round which other village industries revolve like so many planets." After pointing out the various special features of Khaddar and its connection with other industries, Gandhiji significantly writes: "Would that every lover of freedom of India will remember these things during the week and bring freedom nearer than ever before without parliamentary programme and even civil disobedience, unless the Government drive workers to it by talking of India's freedom without meaning it." We share the hope that workers will not be driven into civil disobedience, but a parliamentary programme can be so devised as to be a great help to the constructive programme.

Frankly Speaking

Congress Releases In Sind

The Government of Sir Ghulam Husain has taken more steps to restore normality in Sind in respect of Congressmen and Congress Committees. Sir Ghulam has been lifting bans on and releasing, Congressmen with carefully organised gradualness That was, of course, due to Sir Ghulam Husain's first and foremost desire to ensure his Ministry against any danger that may threaten it through the release of Congress M.L.A's. Safety first and every thing else afterwards! But now that the session of the Assembly is over and his Ministry is secure, Sir Ghulam has released nearly all detenus including Sjt. Jairamdas Daulatram and withdrawn many restrictions. This was to be expected. But by all this Sir Ghulam Husain gives the lie to his own excuses made some time ago in defence of keeping Congressmen and Congress institutions under legal retraint. Incidentally, what about Acharya Kr palani?

Japs Quit Germany

The situation has deteriorated so much that it is not surprising for the Japs to be quitting Germany. Admiral Abe, the Japanese "Admiral of Europe", is reported to be leaving for Stockholm. The mission attributed to him sounds plausible. The Japs cannot escape to their own country from Germany except by submarine. And Norway would be the safest as the embarkation base. There can be no other object of 'blockade running" for communications between Germany and Japan even by submarine and radio are going to be closed for the simple reason that presently there will be no Nazi Germany. The Japs are fleeing while it is possible. But Japan herself is no haven and the day is not very far off when the Japs too will find themselves under Allied occupation.

Important Development

British propagandists are, for reasons that are understandable, giving great prominence to Field Marshal Montgomery's front and his achievements, ignoring in the process, his Army commanders. By contrast, the successes achieved on General Bradley's front are referred to in the names of his Army commanders, General Hodges and General Patton. This is by the way. The point is that while the drive of Field Marshal Montgomery in the north is more significant potentially, it is General Bradley's armies that have so far actually won important victories. They have cut the Ruhr off from the Reich and trapped a large German force the annihilation of which will decisively influence the end of the war. But even more remarkable are the spectacular and unexpected drives by General Patton's armies, which have penetrated so deep into central Germany that they have created a new situation of tremendous potentialities. They are now a threat to the rear of the German forces fighting on Marshal Koniev's front. It is a great, even sensational development.

But When?

When the Americans landed on Okinawa, Japanese propagandists, already staggering under the impact of American successes which they could not conceal, resorted to a rash line. They sought to reassure the Japs and even to revive their morale by declaring that the invasion of Okinawa was a heaven-sent opportunity for the Japanese to annihilate the Allied fleet and land forces and indeed to inflict a "Waterloo" upon the Americans. The Japs were told that it was all due to the result of the clever strategy of the Japanese High Command which had lured the Americans into a trap. How much of a trap Okinawa is, is shown by the fact that it is now days since the Americans have fully committed their forces on Okinawa and a mighty Allied fleet in the waters around it. The operations continue to achieve good and significant success. But there is no sign of any counter action by the Japanese. And the Imperial Fleet remains conspicuously absent.

Negro WACs. Acquitted

BOSTON April 4 (U. P. A.): The recent Court Martial sentences against four Negro members of the Women's Army Corps were declared null and void yesterday by the General they defied during their sit down strike in March.

The Negro WAC's who were sentenced to one year's hard labour have been restored to duty at Fort Devons where the strike occurred.

Major-General Sherman Miles declared the Court Martial proceedings void after receiving the opinion of the Judge Advocate-General of the Army.

"IKE'S" LETTER TO ROOSEVELT

No Cleancut German Military Surrender

LARGE NUMBER OF TROOPS NEEDED TO SUPPRESS GUERILLA WARFARE

WASHINGTON Thursday (Reuter): Gen. Eisenhower in a letter to President Roosevelt, said: "It is probable that there will never be a cleancut military surrender of the forces on the Western Front."

The letter said: "Our experience to date is that even when formations as small as a division are disrupted their fragments continue to fight until surrounded.

"This attitude, if continued, will likely mean that 'V' day will come about by proclamation on our part rather than by any definite and decisive collapse or surrender of German resistance.

LARGE NUMBER OF TROOPS NEEDED

'This would lead into a form of guerilla warfare which would require for its suppression a very large number of troops. "It is of course, always possible that there might be in Germany a sudden upsurge of popular resentment against the war which would lead to a much easier pacification than that described above. My opinion is based upon the supposition that our experience to date provides our best basis of future prediction.

"Of course, if the Government of Germany or any group that could take over political control would make a national surrender, then all armed bodies remaining in the field would no longer be classed as soldiers of a recognised Government but would occupy the status of brigands or pirates. Since, if captured under these conditions, they would not be entitled to the protection afforded by the laws of war, it is my conviction that, except for extreme fanatics, they would largely surrender.

RESISTANCE IN SEVERAL COUNTRIES

"But so long as any of the Hitler gang retain a semblance of political power, I believe the effort will be to continue resistance not only throughout Germany but in all outlying areas including the western ports of France, Denmark and Norway.

ALLIED MEASURES

"To counteract this eventuality our local propaganda stations are constantly pointing out to the Germans that they should now be planting crops for the next winter's food instead of fighting.

"In addition I am hopeful of launching operations at the proper time that should partially prevent guerilla control of any large area such as the southern mountain bastion."

The letter which the President received bore the date mark of March 31.

Fanatical Warfare By S.S. Men

Reuter adds: Guerilla warfare by fanatical S.S. men has begun, now that organised resistance has ceased on the U. S. Third Army front.

An Allied officer reports that S.S. men, sometimes in civilian clothes, are harassing Allied troops. Allied forces have orders to burn down any house harbouring S.S. men.

"Lily The Werewolf," Goebbels' Latest

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, April 5.

The Berlin radio is broadcasting "Lily, the Werewolf' which is the latest Goebbels' song creation It runs:

I am filled with rage,
I am so savage,
Hoo hoo hoo.
Lily the Werewolf is my name
I bite, I eat, I am not tame
Hoo hoo hoo.
My Werewolf teeth
Bite the enemy
And then he is done
And then he is gone
Hoo hoo hoo.

Stockholm's five men who rule the Werewolves are S.S. leader scarface Otto Skorzeny, who rescued Mussolini; Doctor Ernest Kattenbrunner, a former head of the Nazi security police; General Daluege who succeeded Hedrich as Gauleiter of Czechoslovakia; Gauleiter Frank who later replaced Daluege (he should not be confused with H. Frank, a former Gauleiter of Poland); and Count Bassewitz, a monocled effeminate belonging to the famous Mecklenburg family who gambled the family fortune away.

Headquarters of the "Werewolves" now are established in the Rissen mountains along the northen Czech border.

NO CHANGE IN CONGRESS' ALL-INDIA POLICY

Orissa Ex-Premier On Formation Of Ministry In Frontier

BOMBAY, Thursday.

That there was no basis for the supposition that what has happened in the Frontier Province is part of an All-India policy, was the view expressed by Mr. Viswanath Das, ex-Premier of Orissa, who paid a brief visit to Mahatma Gandhi today.

Questioned by pressmen, after his visit Mr. Das stated that he had no long discussions with Gandhiji. He said that he was not keen on convening a meeting of the Congress Party in the Orissa Assembly with a view to discuss the question of formation of ministries in Orissa until the members of the Congress Working Committee were released and were in a position to advise them.

FREEDOM TO PROVINCES

Questioned regarding the propriety of Khan Saheb accepting ministry in the Frontier and whether it did not militate against Congress discipline Mr. Das said that as far as he was aware there was no basis for the supposition that what has happened in the Frontier Province was part of an All-India policy. The Congress High Command was very often criticised for centralising power and dictating to the Provincial Assembly Parties to follow definite courses of action. The developments in the Frontier proved that those allegations were ill founded and baseless. To his knowledge the High Command had always given full discretion to Provincial Congress Committees and Parliamentary parties to do anything consistent with Congress principles. The question of disciplinary action was, therefore, one for the Frontier Party and the Congress Working Committee when it is out of jail.

Continuing Mr. Das said: "I have always felt that Dr. Khan Saheb has been a marvellous fighter. Though the position that Orissa has taken up is different, I have absolutely no complaint against the Frontier Parliamentary Party. If in the end nothing comes out, the Parliamentary Party will be wiser and the country will see clearly where it stands."

Birla House was the venue of a meeting of the provisional Central Committee of the newly-formed Hindustan Mazdoor Sabha, to-day. Messrs. B. G. Kher, Gulzarilal Nanda, Gangadharrao Deshpande, M. R. Masani and S. K. Patil, were the members of the Committee who took part in the discussion. The Committee adopted the constitution of the Sabha and approved of a set of model rules for Trade Unions. It is gathered that the constitution and rules embody the ideas of Mahatma Gandhi on labour organisation and have been approved by him.

The aims of the new organisation are the improvement of the lot of industrial workers, starting trade unions, training trade union workers and initiating Labour legislation.

It is understood that the question whether the organisation should be a rival and parellel to the Trade Union Congress or should be affiliated to the T.U.C. was also discussed but no final decision appears to have been taken.

Mahatma Gandhi spent a comparatively quiet day and conducted his prayers as usual.

Among those who attended the meeting was Sir C. V. Raman.

At the end of the prayer Sir C. V. Raman greeted Gandhiji and said: "I just came to see the grand old....." As the scientist was fumbling for words Gandhiji said: "Grand old fool" and laughed. Gandhiji also introduced him to Khan Abdul Gaffar Khan. Apologising for not greeting him earlier Sir C. V. Raman said that he was almost forgetting the lesser light in the presence of the greater light.

Sir C. V. Raman was most interested on the height and imposing appearance of Mr. Abdul Wali Khan, son of Khan Abdul Gaffar Khan. After ascertaining his height he told Gandhiji that he was five feet eleven inches while the young man of the Frontier was three inches taller than himself!

Madame Montessori also met Mahatma.

Mr. D. R. D. Wadia presented to Gandhiji a sum of Rs. 350 and odd, being the proceeds of the one man show of his photographs held recently. He also showed Gandhiji a selected lot and presented him nine photos to be autographed and sold by him.

JAPS WON'T FIGHT TO THE LAST

LONDON, April 5. (A.P.A.): There have been hints from neutral sources, notably from Stockholm, where some Japanese arrived recently, that Nipponese would not fight to the bitter end as the Nazis are doing.

Japs To Use Camphor Petrol For Aviation

LONDON, April 5, (U. P. A.): Japanese scientists have discovered a method of producing high octane petrol for aviation engines from camphor the Japanese Domoi News Agency said in a broadcast recorded here to-day.

The camphor petrol was described in a statement issued by the Central Research Institute of the Ministry of Finance as a "product of the finest quality" which assures Japan of self-sufficiency in airplane fuel.

It was pointed out that Japan has very large reserves of camphor obtained from her camphor forests in Formosa and on the homeland.

Reds Capture Bruck

Final Battle To Decide Fate Of Vienna

MOSCOW, April 5. (Reuter): Marshal Stalin in an 'Order of the Day' tonight announced the capture of Bruck, 17 miles southwest of Bratislava. Malacky 40 miles north-north-west of Bratislava has also fallen.

Marshal Toloukhin's Army Group is today fighting through the last German fortifications carring the way into the streets of Vienna. An avalanche of Soviet tanks, cavalry and motorized infantry is, meanwhile, sweeping on the Austrian capital beyond liberated Bratislava.

The next 48 hours will decide whether the Red Army will take Vienna without a major battle or whether the Germans will defend the city street by street and house by house.

The Wehrmacht is reported to have brought up considerable reinforcements, but if the German High Command is counting on a siege, then they have got more than usual difficulties to reckon with. Apart from the attitude of the civilian population, which at present is not clear, the speed of the Red Army advance has disorganised the German defence right up to the city barricades In addition the Germans on this Austrian sector are generally believed to be critically short of weapons.

The Associated Press of America adds: As the Red Army fought its way into the outskirts of Vienna, a pipatch to "Bolshevik"—the Capital's afternoon newspaper—reported that high Nazis were evacuating the Austrian capital. The dispatch said that among the first to flee was Hitler's Austrian lieutenant, Baldur von Schirach, followed by gauleiters of lesser stature.

ALLIES NEARING HANOVER

Hold 10-Mile Footing On Weser West Bank

LONDON, April 5. (Reuter): Late reports this afternoon put British spearheads only 25 miles from Hanover, while General Bradley's American forces have thrust another 20 miles deeper into the heart of central Germany. In the drive towards Hanover troops of the Sixth Airborne Division are at Minden, a bastion on the Weser, less than 40 miles from Hanover after advancing 25 miles in 24 hours. They have linked up with American Ninth Army men. The Allies now hold a 10-mile footing on the west bank of the Weser.

Berlin to-day reported that British armour was fighting in the streets of Lingen, on the Ems, 50 miles from Emden.

General Patton's Sixth Armoured Division, thrusting ever deeper into Germany, has entered Muelhausen, 21 miles north-west of Gotha.

The main body of the Third Army has widened the daggerlike thrust into a massive 45 miles front.

In the far north the Germans are doing their utmost to hold open the escape gap from Western Holland.

The Seventh Armoured Division is 38 miles from Bremen.

Allied patrols have crossed the Lower Rhine into the Arnhem area without incident.

Ways Of The Censor

From Africa, some days ago I landed at Bombay and had to face precensorship officers. One of them, with the approval of his other two British colleagues took from me 17 books of Little Lenin Library by Lenin, out of which two contained writings of Stalin also on Youth and Propaganda, and one a seemingly propaganda pamphlet by a Polish refugee issued from London in 1943 called "Adolf the Great" by Marian Hemar.

Two days later, Monday afternoon, was the time given for collection of books in case those were to be not proscribed ones. At 2 P.M. on Monday I went to the Censor's office, and was told I should call again at 4 P.M. as enquiry was still on. I requested the officer to take down my address, and send it there. He refused to do so, saying I should leave money for postage stamps and I after all decided to come again at 4 P.M. and received back the books. Not knowing very much about Bombay, I took taxi both times and paid the driver Rs. 10 in all.

Having heard in Africa, so much about the promises of independence of nations forming the British Commonwealth, in particular of our motherland, I or any other sensible man would expect more freedom than that existing in Crown Colonies, but I was perplexed to know that books allowed in Africa are not allowed here. These books have a Johannesburg Peoples Bookshop stamp on them, from which it is clear that these books are being sold publicly in Africa. In Bombay also I found those books lying in big numbers at one shop.

From the foregoing it is clear that officer responsible, was ignorant of his job, but it cost me lot of unnecessary anxiety, and I was obliged to answer many searching questions in order to save trouble.

Ignorance of law is no excuse, even for an illiterate peasant, but misuse of laws by the very persons who ought to know better than anyone else, is something which responsible public men and higher authorities ought to go into. And if we are on the verge of receiving or achieving Self-rule, then it is more of our concern what we want than that of the British Government. The sort of official atmosphere I had to experience showed signs of occupied country.

Lenin's name appears to have aroused certain memories, because the officer responsible did nothing but read his name and removed the books. But Lenin's pupil (Stalin) is The Great and Churchill at one time felt him so near in the House of Commons that he stood attention and saluted him. But in India officers are very ignorant, indeed.

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SOVIET DENOUNCE PACT WITH JAPAN

(Continued from page 1.)

the western world was preoccupied with Germany. Premier Stalin of Russia was rushing preparations to meet the expected Nazi onslaught.

The result was the Russo-Japanese neutrality pact of April, 1941. Realistically shelving their mutual dislikes and fears, the Russians and Japanese agreed to remain neutral towards each other for five years regardless of what wars either power got mixed up in.

When Germany assaulted Russia on June 22, 1941, the Soviet Union was thus able to meet the shock without having to watch Japan over her shoulder. Japan began plotting actively on Pearl Harbour.

Fighting for their national existence in Europe, the Russians said nothing which might provoke Japan to attack Siberia. The Russian press made two things plain from the first, however—that Russians considered Japan the aggressor in the Pacific and believed that Japan would lose the war.

But the Russians had to draw on Siberian reserves, altering their long-standing plan for an independent defence of Siberia manned and equipped by Siberians.

After the Russian winter offensive of 1943 and heavy Anglo-American bombing of the Nazi war machine, it became apparent that Germany could not win. Russia was able to turn her attention once again to the defence of Siberia. The Kwantung army, best and most fanatical of Japan's troops, still stood along the Manchurian border, eyeing the riches of Siberia and the strategic port of Vladivostok.

The Russians began to tighten up. They made the Japanese pay more for the annual renewal of fishing concessions in Soviet waters. They actually got the Japanese, in March, 1944, to hand back their oil and coal concessions on the Russian half of Sakhalin Island—and do it 26 years sooner than scheduled.

Russian Press Criticism

The Russian press began to criticise Japanese strategy in the Pacific and to draw conclusions about Japan's chances of winning—which galled the proud warlords of Tokyo.

The Soviet radio at Khabarovsk, Siberia, remarked casually—without mentioning Japanese—that there were many rivers in eastern Asia and that Soviet troops there should learn how to force such water obstacles. Khabarovsk is situated across the Amur River from Japan's once-touchy, once-trigger-happy Kwantung army. These former sabrerattlers chose not to be listening.

Then, last November, Premier Stalin made official in a speech what the Soviet press had been saying all along—that Russia considered Japan the "aggressor" in East Asia. Tokyo reacted immediately. It explained that Stalin's remark really changed nothing in Soviet policy, that there was no danger of Russia's entering the Far Eastern war.

Early this year, as Russian might surged through Poland and drove Nazi armies back upon Berlin, a fear grew in Japan that her turn might be next. Japan sent new, experienced diplomats to Moscow. A secret Diet session heard a special report on the situation from Foreign Minister Shigemitsu.

Japanese papers speculated guardedly upon Russia's intentions in the Far East, for renewal or renunciation of the neutrality pact and its possible relationship to the April 25 date for the first United Nations conference at San Francisco.

Such speculation was handled like a basket of eggs in Tokyo. More outspoken was the propaganda station at Singapore, farthest removed from Tokyo and least likely to be picked up by Soviet monitors. It said that it "seemed" that there would be no change in Russia's neutrality but acknowledged that "there is undoubtedly an element of danger in the situation."

Manchuria contains some of Japan's best war industry and is garrisoned by some of Japan's finest troops. They face well developed Siberian forces of equal if not superior strength. While the Russians enjoy strategic advantages in the air, Vladivostok and the Siberian maritime provinces are exposed to quick Japanese thrusts which could isolate them.

Nazi Supply Ship Sunk Off Norwegian Coast

LONDON, Thursday. (Reuter): British destroyers in patrol off the Norwegian coast on Wednesday morning sank one supply ship, scored many hits on a second supply ship which was left in flames and probably torpedoed a third in a ten minute action, the Admiralty announces to-day. One escort vessel was also severely damaged.

Berlin Bombed

LONDON, Thursday. (Reuter): R. A. F. bombers were over Germany in "very great strength" last night, states the Air Ministry.

Synthetic oil plants at Merseburg and Hamburg were the main objectives. "Mosquitoes" bombed Berlin.

Germany Tactically Surrounded

MOSCOW, April 5. (Reuter): Moscow radio military commentator, Red Army Col. Kolomeitsev, stated to-night that a linkup between the Soviet and Allied armies may be expected in the near future.

'The distance between the two fronts can be covered by tanks in "three days", he said.

'In the light of armoured warfare the German army is already almost tactically surrounded.

'The tendency to cut Germany along the 'middle line' is already clearly indicated by the movement of Gen Bradley's Twelfth Army Group which is speeding eastward".

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WITHOUT COMMENT—

LONDON, April 5.

India's Princes who are traditional visitors on notable State occasions hope to be in London for Victory Day celebrations. Travel facilities have been requested by almost all the major Indian States, including Mysore, Hyderabad, Bahawalpur, and Indore. Patiala and Travancore are also likely to be represented.

—A.P.A.

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According to a Press report, an investiture was held the other day when Sir Henry Knight decorated the persons "who earned recognition in the last New Year's Honours list for meritorious achievements in various directions."

Which, of course, all lead to Government House.

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Canada is reported to have decided to contribute two cruisers and ten destroyers from her navy to the British fleet in the war against Japan.

How many cruisers and destroyers the Royal Indian Navy is going to contribute is a very very strict secret.

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A news item regarding the shifting of members of the Working Committee is headlined in an Anglo-Indian contemporary: 'LEADERS' TRANSFER."

We are shocked and surprised.

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According to the Associated Press of America, the Aga Khan has some plan for India which he intends to communicate to his old friends Mahatma Gandhi and Mr. M. A. Jinnah.

His Highness had better be careful.

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The Secretary of the Punjab Provincial Hindu Mahasabha has cabled to Mr. Churchill asserting that the Hindu Mahasabha alone represents the Hindu viewpoint.

Mr. Churchill will gladly agree. He likes such claims, being addicted to them himself, for instance the claim that "India's" delegates to San Francisco represent India.

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"This freedom will also be enjoyed by the Indian delegation, for India will enjoy at San Francisco the same international status as she has done in the League of Nations."

—London Correspondent of the "Times of India".

We hope you are now thoroughly convinced as to the freedom of India.

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But the Anglo-Indian correspondent is not satisfied. He has a conscience to serve to which he owes it that you should have further clinching proof of the freedom of India. So, "the Imperial Conference in London in 1921 formally recognised India as an 'equal member of the British Empire' with other members of the British Imperial Commonwealth."

You now know not only that India is free but that she has been free since 1921.

Your suspicions have been set at rest, doubting Thomases crushed and mischief-mongers abroad completely smashed.

And please don't ask questions about what is meant by "India" and so on. You must accept the honest and straightforward words of an honourable Britisher.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

A grain of theoretical wisdom may turn out to be a pound of practical folly.

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Even lame may be a handicap; it enables a man's creditors to keep on his trail.

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Don't judge a man by the clothes he wears. Form your opinion from the wearing apparel of his wife.

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And when a fellow bumps up against hard luck he usually blames some other fellow for shoving him.

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The majority doesn't always rule. One bad little boy sometimes gets a dozen good little boys into mischief.

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It is easy enough for a man to believe that a public office is a public trust—when some other man holds the office.

Nazi Hangman Of Polish People

LONDON, April 5. (U. P. A.): Soviet War News, a pamphlet published by the Soviet Embassy here, said to-day that Red Army men have captured Gauleiter Greiser who was described as the "Nazi hangman of the Polish people."

Greiser was captured in Poznan, the publication said, adding that he was the Nazi "Murderer" who once stated that "Poles have a right to exist only to work for their German masters."

Greiser's most atrocious crime, it was alleged, was a mass execution of Poles at Zgers in 1942, when he had 100 political prisoners shot in a field behind a church in retaliation for the killing of two Gestapo men by a Polish army sergeant. Greiser forced relatives of the victims to attend the mass execution.

Trouble Ahead In Portugal?

LISBON, April 5, (Reuter): Col. Ricardo Durao speaking at a farewell banquet to the Military Governor of Lisbon, said: "The Army awaits serenely a probable collision between the disturbers and defenders of order". The Army had a right to ask how far the Regime's promises had been fulfilled and whether the time had not come to translate hesitant beginnings into the field of clear and positive action.

Monty Threatens Enemy's North Sea Ports

YANKS WITHIN 150 MILES OF BERLIN

Allies Cross Weser River And Ems Canal, Press Forward Against Light Resistance

S. H. A. E. F., April 5. (Reuter): The Eleventh Armoured Division after crossing the Weser and the Ems Canal is to-night motoring along a line of open highways in one of the most sensational drives of the ten days old operation, says Reuter's Special corresnondent.

Field Marshal Montgomery's forces to-day threaten German North Sea ports while General Patton's armoured spearheads are 50 miles from the Czechoslovak border and just over 170 from Russian lines.

U. S. Ninth Army columns are ten miles east of Bielefeld. First Army tanks swinging forward on a forty-mile front, are less than 150 miles from Berlin with a threat to Magdeburg, the big industrial centre.

Canadians fighting in Zutphen on the north-eastern corner of Zuider Zee are rapidly closing the trap on the German garrison in central Holland.

After crossing the Weser and the Ems Canal the British eleventh armoured division is speeding along open high-ways well east of Osnabrueck.

Canadian and British hold seven miles of the Neder Rhein while the guards armoured division is established on the Ems river 60 miles south of the German naval port of Emden.

The ninth United States army, pushing on half a dozen miles, to-day is only 37 miles from Hanover.

General Patch's seventh United States Army advancing up the Neckar river have reached Bockingen on the west bank opposite Heilbronn and have captured Mockmuhl 15 miles to the North-East.

Rolling Eastward

The present Axis of divisions operations is far east of Osnabrueck. Tanks armoured cars and bulldozers are rolling eastwards in an almost completely uncontested thrust.

To-day I have driven many miles beyond yesterday's perimeter without hearing a shot. The Germans seem to be getting softer as we drive towards the heart of the Reich.

Spearheads of the Eleventh Armoured Division have crossed the Weser river and plunged beyond against light opposition north-east of Osnabrueck.

The exact extent of their advance is undiscloseable for security reasons. Another British armoured division has crossed the Ems river north-east of Lingen. Fighting continues in Lingen.

With the First United States Army, April 4: Hundreds, perhaps thousands, of Germans are roaming the vast forests west and north of the Lippistadt-Donnenburg area behind Paderborn, sniping and ambushing Allied personnel along the more lonely forest roads. Several cases of civilian sniping have also been reported in various areas.

SHAEF April 5 (A. P. A.): The Supreme Commander Eisenhower said in a broadcast that "The end is not far off" and called on the urban residents of western Germany to flee from factories, mines and rail centres and hide until the Allies arrive.

Smashing at least 35 miles beyond Osnabrueck, the British armoured spearheads drove across the Weser river, next to the last water barrier before Baden, in the most spectacular development of the day on the western front, says A P War Correspondent William Frye.

Russians Enter 'Greater Vienna'

HUNGARY CLEARED OF NAZIS: 13,000 GERMANS TAKEN PRISONERS

LONDON, April 5 (A.P.A.): The Red Army fought to the gates of Vienna today and, although latest official reports from Moscow placed Marshal Tolbukhin's troops only five miles from the outskirts, a German radio report said they had "penetrated Greater Vienna."

While Tolbukhin closed on Vienna from the south, Marshal Malinovsky, advancing on the capital from the east, captured Bratislava, 34 miles to the east. This threw the Bratislava gateway to Vienna wide open to the Russians.

MOSCOW April 4 (Reuter): Soviet troops are now only five miles south-east of Vienna, besides having captured Bratislava, one of the most important strategic railway junctions of Central Europe.

Baden has been captured. In addition, the whole of Hungary has now been cleared of German forces. These successes are announced in tonight's Soviet communique.

The communique also reports the capture yesterday of a total of more than 13,000 German prisoners north of Bratislava and in south-west Hungary and in Yugoslavia.

Soviet troops fighting for bridgeheads over the river Werbach five miles from Vienna, reports a supplement to tonight's Soviet communique.

West and south-west of lake Balaton Soviet troops have advanced 14 miles capturing much war material and many dumps.

North of Bratislava Soviet troops have overcome the fortified defence line which the Germans had started to build in January 1944. The Soviet troops have occupied the railway junction of Rarbok on the western slopes of the small Carpathians.

During the day on this sector 3,000 German officers and men were killed in fighting.

Allied Advance In Okinawa And Sulu Archipelago

GUAM, April 5.

From Reuter's Special Correspondent aboard Admiral Turner's Flagship off Okinawa, Thursday: The United States Tenth Army is days ahead of the schedule at all points on Okinawa island, steppingstone to the Chinese mainland in the Ryuku group. At some points they have hardly seen a sign of Japanese defenders.

Forcing its way across rugged terrain, the Third Marine Amphibious Corps reached the east coast to-day and advanced halfway up the narrow Ishikawa Isthmus towards the broader part of the island.

They met little opposition and reported that Okinawa towns people were apathetic. Naval patrols on the east coast have picked up two boatloads of civilians trying to escape from the island.

In the south, the Twentyfourth Army Corps after rapid advance since Sunday are meeting with resistance and heavy Japanese artillery and mortar fire as they probe cautiously through hilly country where it is easy for small bodies of Japanese to hide.

Advance In Sulu Archipelago

MANILA, April 5. (A.P.A.): The American forces now control more than 1,000 miles from the northern end of Luzon to the southern tip of the Sulu Archipelago, with the seizure of the strategic point Tawi Tawi and the establishment of blockading airfields, General MacArthur announced to-day.

The Eighth Army infantrymen landed on Tuesday on the Masbate island in central Philippines off the west coast, General MacArthur announced.

Guerilla forces are assisting in the new landing as they have done in earlier ones.

In Burma

ADVANCE NORTH-WEST OF TAUNGUP

"A feature three miles north-west of Taungup has been captured. Our leading troops are astride the coastal road two miles north of the town," says to-day's S.E.A.C. 'communique'.

"Fourteenth Army Front: Seikpyu, on the west bank of the Irrawaddy 32 miles south-west of Pakokku, has been entered by our patrols.

"Two villages in the area of Kandaung, six miles south-east of Meiktila, were occupied by our troops.

"AIR: Medium bombers of Eastern Air Command yesterday wrecked four bridges on the Thazi-Shwenyaung railway. A road bridge south of Heho, off this line, was destroyed and another north-west of Lai Hka was damaged.

"Heavy bombers damaged a road and rail bridge over the Samong river, 100 miles east of Bangkok.

"Other Allied aircraft bombed railway sidings at Tiungoo.

"In Arakan, enemy positions and anti-aircraft emplacements between Taungup and Prome were attacked.

"Japanese positions and trenches north-east of Thazi and south-west of Meiktila and troops concentrations and a supply area south-east of Kyaukse were hit. Many fires were caused among military installations at Loikaw, east of Pyinmanap.

Chinese Counter-Attack Invaders In Hupeh

CHUNGKING, April 5. (A.P.A.): The High Command claimed further successes in mounting Chinese counter-attacks in Hupeh where the invaders are estimated to be employing more than 80,000 troops in a drive which might lead to the invasion of Shensi and a consequent attack either against Chungking or Siam.

Fighters and bombers of the Fourteenth Airforce strafed and bombed Japanese railroad and installations in French Indo-China, an American communique announced. B-25s swept over Hapong, east of Hanoi and Ninh-Binh, south of Hanoi, and attacked railroad, bridges and enemy installations.

Freedom Group Supports Mercy Demand

The Freedom Group has sent the following to the Viceroy of India:

Freedom Group strongly urges commutation death sentences Chimur-Ashti prisoners called for to avoid embittered feelings. Enforcement death sentences over two years after offence smacks of vindictiveness. God who gives life alone may take it.

ASHTI-CHIMUR CASE ADJOURNED

Advocate-General Asked To Produce Warrants For Execution

NAGPUR, April 5 (A.P.I.): After hearing the arguments in the 'Habeas Corpus' petition on behalf of the Ashti-Chimur prisoners Justices M. B. Neogi and C. B. Hemeon directed the Advocate-General this afternoon to produce the warrants for the execution of the prisoners.

Their Lordships fixed the next hearing of the case on April 10.

The Court room was packed to capacity when Justice M. B. Niyogi and Justice C. R. Hemeon took up the hearing of the *habeas corpus* application filed by the defence counsel on behalf of the Ashti and Chimur prisoners. Dr. T. J. Kedar, senior defence counsel submitted to the court an application praying for postponement of the hearing of the case.

The application stated that only at 1 p.m. yesterday the defence counsel received a notice that the application was under Section 491 Cr. P. C. fixed for hearing to-day before the newly formed bench on the order of the Chief Justice. The fixing of the date and the constitution of the new bench came as a surprise to the applicants and it appeared to them that the Advocate-General had moved in the matter. Dr. Kedar's application next said that it was not correct on the part of the Advocate-General to say in his application that Justice Puranik had expressed his desire not to sit on the bench to hear the *habeas corpus* application now before the High Court.

Proceeding, Dr. Kedar's application submitted that to-day was not a suitable and convenient date to the defence counsel for the hearing of the *habeas corpus* application and gave reasons in support, specially that it was necessary for the prosecution to produce copies of the warrants issued from time to time after the conviction of the prisoners by trial courts.

Moreover, there was no hurry in deciding the case as defence had the right of approaching the Privy Council on the decision of the Nagpur High Court in the *habeas corpus* application now before the court.

Their Lordships, after a short hearing, directed the Advocate-General to produce copies of all warrants from the Nagpur, Raipur and Akola jails where the prisoners are now confined. Their Lordships also directed the Advocate-General to reply to all points raised in the defence application and fixed the next hearing on April 10.

AVOID "SPIRIT OF VENOMOUS REVENGE"

Dr. Mookerjee's Appeal To Respect Public Opinion On Ashti And Chimur Prisoners

CALCUTTA, April 5 (U. P. I.): Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookerjee, President, All-India Hindu Mahasabha, has issued the following statement appealing to the Government, specially to Lord Wavell, for the commutation of the death sentences on the Chimur and Ashti prisoners:—

"The Nagpur High Court has intervened at a psychological moment and the execution of the sentences of death on the Chimur and Ashti prisoners has been stayed for the time being. This gives an excellent opportunity to the Government to reconsider their decision. The public opinion has already expressed itself in a clear-cut manner. To save the lives of the prisoners will not be an act of weakness involving loss of prestige on the part of the Government but will be an example of wise, though rare statesmanship.

Let not the Government act in a spirit of venomous revenge and further widen the gulf of mutual bitterness and hatred. Grave were the allegations of brutal excesses committed by some officers in the dark days of August-November, 1942, and Indians were denied the right of seeing them brought to trial. Taking a few more lives is not necessary for demonstrating the might of the Government which stands unchallenged.

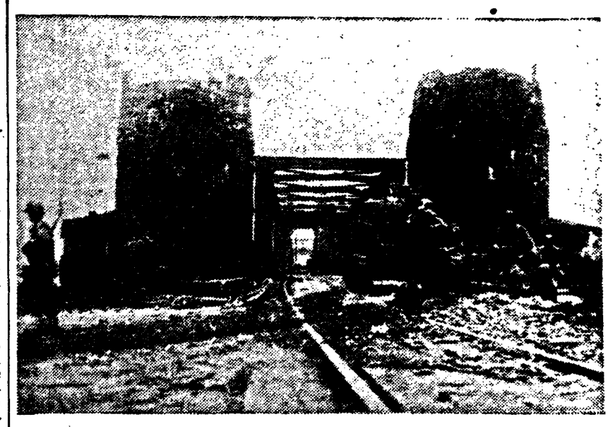
My appeal to the Government, specially to Lord Wavell who is apparently anxious for an honourable Indo-British settlement, is not to rake up the past, but for once to respect the public opinion and commute the death sentences passed on the unfortunate prisoners."

Urge Commutation Of Death Sentences On Ashti-Chimur Accused

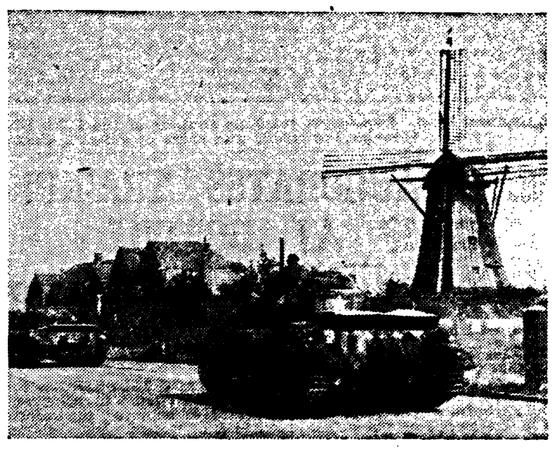
On behalf of the B.C. of the C.P.I. and the G.K.U., Messrs. D. S. Vaidya and G. S. Patkar have wired to the Governor of the Central Provinces and the Viceroy of India, the resolution passed at the Kamgar Maidan rally on Monday urging commutation of the death sentences on the seven Ashti and Chimur accused.

The resolution condemns the decision of the C.P. and Berar Government to execute the death sentences passed on the Ashti and Chimur Prisoners in utter disregard of the country-wide protests and demand for commutation, and adds that, considering the abnormal and provocative circumstances which led to the clashes at Ashti and Chimur out of which the present cases arose and the fact that the condemned prisoners are young men who have undergone torture and suspense worse than death since the passing of the sentence two years back, the meeting opines that the carrying out of the sentence will be an act not only repugnant to all canons of justice but one of revengeful vindictiveness.

U. S. TANK ARRIVES ON EAST BANK OF RHINE



A First U. S. Army tank rolls off the east end of the Rhine river bridge at Remagen (Germany) under enemy fire as American infantrymen advance to consolidate and expand the east bank bridgehead.—U. S. O. W. I.



Through Holland To Germany—British tanks forge on.

Assembly Questions

No Suspension Of Gandhi-Irwin Pact Concessions

Tottenham On Congress Leaders' Transfer: "No Provision For Detention Of Asaf Ali In Delhi"

NEW DELHI, April 5. (A.P.I.): At question time in the Assembly to-day the Home Secretary, Sir Richard Tottenham, told the House that Mr. Vallabhbhai Patel and Mr. Narendra Deo had mild attacks of influenza during the week ending March 24, replying to Mr. Avinashlilingam Chettiar. Otherwise there had been no important change in the state of health of the members of the Congress Working Committee since a question to this effect was answered on February 10.

Mr. T. S. A. Chettiar asked where the Working Committee Members were kept at present.

Sir Richard said he could not give detailed information but thought that most of them had by now returned to their own provinces.

Q. Who remains in the Ahmednagar Fort now?

Ans. I believe Maulana Azad is still at Ahmednagar but I am not quite sure.

Q. How many Working Committee Members were in provinces other than their own?

Ans. The only member of the Working Committee who has been sent to a province other than his own is Mr. Asaf Ali.

In reply to Maulana Zafarali's question, Sir Richard was heard to say that Mr. Asaf Ali was sent to the Punjab because there was no provision for his detention in Delhi.

Mr. Sriprakasa asked whether these members of the Working Committee were the concern of Provincial Governments and not that of the Central Government. Sir Richard replied they were the concern of the Central Government.

ECHO OF GANDHI-IRWIN PACT.

Prof. Ranga asked whether there was a shortage of supply of salt and inadequacy of Indian production, if so, why Government had reduced or annulled or suspended the concessions made under the Gandhi-Irwin Pact of 1931 allowing the workers and residents of coastal and other salt producing areas to produce enough salt for their domestic and agricultural needs and for trading to eke out their livelihood.

The Finance Member, Sir Jeremy Raisman replied: Government are aware that there has been occasional local shortage of a temporary nature, though Indian production as a whole is in no sense inadequate to the demand that exists for such salt. So far as Government are aware there has been no reduction, annulment, or suspension of the concessions granted in 1931.

VEIL OF SECRECY ON EMPIRE CONFERENCE

BRITISH PRESS BLACKS OUT REFERENCE TO INDIAN DELEGATION

LONDON, April 5. (U.P.I.).

A veil of secrecy has decended on the Empire Conference which formally opened its deliberations yesterday. Reports in the last evening papers are significant by the absence of any reference to the Indian Delegation. It is understood that Mr. Churchill will take part in the discussions and Mr. Eden will give a general review of the international situation.

While London is anxious to emphasise the family and domestic nature of the Conference, it is safe to assume that some awkward questions will come up for consideration. The British Empire Delegates will, it is stated, have to use their ingenuity for evading the demand put forward by many influential American commentators, including Mr. Sumner Welles that colonial questions, such as the issue of international trusteeship should be discussed at San Francisco with a view to the fulfilment of the Atlantic Charter ideals. Present indications are that the British Delegates would not countenance any such proposals and adhere to Mr. Churchill's reiteration of "what we have, we hold".

The Colonial circles in London believe that General Smuts will try to get support for his long-cherished plan for the establishment of a hegemony of union of South Africa on the whole of Africa. They wonder whether Australia and New Zealand, both of which have Labour Governments would be willing to be associated with such plan.

Trusteeship Plans For Pacific Islands

The Dominions Conference on world security resumed its discussions in London this morning. It is understood that sufficient progress has already been made in the talks between the heads of the various delegations to enable the conference to get down to details, and committees are now being formed to enable a wider examination to be made of the subjects on the agenda. One of these concerns yesterday's exploration of the question of international trusteeships for mandated territories. Australia and New Zealand have made their position clear in regard to any changes in the control or sovereignty of Pacific islands, as has General Smuts with particular reference to South West Africa. Australia and New Zealand have expressed their firm belief in the application of the principle of trusteeship. In the administration of island territories of the Pacific they have already put forward proposals for an advisory regional commission which, they believe will make for greater co-operation in the administration of colonial territories.

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Ram Chandra. He stated that he had received information both from the Bombay Government and military authorities that the temple had not been requisitioned.

As regards the Ashram the notice issued was not accepted by the inmates, and the area had therefore not been taken possession of. It had further been decided to re-requisition the Math and the Ashram and the hermits' huts.

Prof. Ranga asked if the same procedure would be taken with regard to the temple in South Kanara. There was no reply.

Assembly Champions Freedom Of Press

Why Ban On Publication Of Legislature Proceedings?

KAZMI'S BILL TO BE CIRCULATED FOR ELICITING PUBLIC OPINION

NEW DELHI, April 5 (A.P.I.): The Assembly agreed to circulate Mr. Kazmi's bill to give newspapers unrestricted right to publish a faithful account of the proceedings of the Legislatures in India.

Mr. Kazmi's original motion moved on March 1 was for reference of his Bill to a select committee, but during the resumed debate on the motion today he accepted Mr. Ananthasayanam Ayyangar's amendment that the bill be circulated for eliciting public opinion till September 15.

PROCEEDINGS IN DETAILS

The Central Assembly resumed debate on Mr. M. A. Kazmi's motion for reference to Select Committee of his bill seeking to insert a new clause after Section 93 of the Indian Penal Code to lay down that no publication made in good faith of any speech in an Indian Legislature is an offence.

Sir Asoka Roy, Law Member, who continued his speech said that Mr. Kazmi was mistaken in supposing that his bill did no more than bring the law of this country into line with the United Kingdom Law in this matter. The courts in India, Sir Asoka said, had recognised the English Case Law (Wason vs Walter reported in May's Parliamentary Practice) as applicable to Indian cases. The substance of the case was that publication of a fair and accurate report of the proceedings of Parliament should have immunity from courts of justice. There could, Sir Asoka said, be the strongest possible argument against the wholesale exemption of criminal liability which the bill proposed.

PLEA FOR WITHDRAWAL

The Law Member felt that the bill was misconcieved and he asked Mr. Kazmi the mover of the bill and Mr. Ananthasayanam Ayyangar, the mover of the amendment, who had asked that the bill be circulated for eliciting opinion by September 15, 1945, to withdraw their motions.

Dr. Banerjee asked why Government themselves should not bring forward a bill.

Sir Asoka Roy said that he did not consider the present position unsatisfactory and he reiterated that the case Wason vs Walter was applicable here. If in spite of his explanations, however, Mr. Kazmi's legislative zeal persisted, he could bring forward a suitably drafted bill. The present bill was hopelessly drafted.

Mr. T. S. A. Chettiar (Congress) said that the only positive suggestion made by the Law Member was that Mr. Kazmi should bring forward another bill before the House. Mr. Chettiar asked the Law Member himself to bring forward such a bill if he was sincere, because there were many hurdles before a non-official bill could come up before the House.

It was no use quoting English Law, knowing full well that the liberty of the press, as it obtained in England, did not obtain in this country. The Legislature was the only place in India where members could give frank expression of their opinion. In no other country was freedom of speech so restricted. Mr. Chettiar mentioned that there were thousands of cases in which newspapers refused to publish portions of the proceedings of the House because they were afraid of prosecution. The point was that it was at present open for the Government to prosecute people for publication of proceedings of the House.

LET PRESS SPEAK

Mr. Lalchand Navalrai (Nationalist) suggested that in addition to eliciting the opinion of the public, the opinion of the Press should also be obtained as to whether such enactment was necessary or not. The Press would be in a position to say that there had been many instances of its being hampered in, in publishing the proceedings of the House. The Law Member had stated that the publication of a full and fair report was not an offence.

Sardar Mangal Singh, (Unattached), said that the issue before the House was whether speeches made here should be published outside for the information of constituents. The speeches delivered in the Assembly, were published in English, which his voters did not understand. Therefore he wanted to tell them in their own language what he had said or done in the House.

Mr. Sri Prakasa (Congress) said that as things were today, political speeches were strictly barred outside the legislature. Therefore, it was but right that the world outside should be allowed to read what was said in the legislature.

Mr. Sri Prakasa asked what exactly was the principle behind the right of Government to print all the speeches delivered in the legislature, but at the same time to prevent members from printing them. It would have been more logical if Government said that certain speeches could not be printed even in official publications.

INNOCUOUS REPORTS

Mr Sri Prakasa said that amazing orders had been passed to prevent newspapers from publishing perfectly innocuous reports, and gave the instance of the Punjab Government notifying that the proceedings in the "Habeas Corpus" application of Mr. Jai Prakash Narain were not to be published. Newspapers were not even permitted to publish the fact that there was a Gazette notification prohibiting the publication of the proceedings.

KAZMI ACCEPTS AMENDMENT

Replying to the debate, Mr. Kazmi said that he realised that the drafting of his bill was defective, but he did not agree with the Law Member that the act of 1940 related only to libel and slander.

The Indian Penal Code and Criminal Procedure Code had been nullified by the Ordinances of the Viceroy. He also realised that so long as the war lasted emergency legislation would continue, but he wanted that at least at the time when emergency legislation could be suspended, members of the House should have the privilege of printing their speeches.

Mr. Kazmi accepted Mr. Ayyangar's amendment for circulation of his bill.

The House agreed to the motion for circulation.

OFFICE OF KAZI AND RECORD OF MUSLIM MARRIAGES

The House rejected by 13 votes to five Mr. M. A. Kazmi's motion for reference to Select Committee his bill for the appointment of persons to the office of Kazi and for performing and keeping a record of marriages amongst Muslims. The Congress, European group, Nationalist Party and Government did not participate in the voting. Mr. Abdul Qaiyum, Deputy Leader of the Congress Party, however, voted for the motion. Mr. Govind Deshmukh was the only Hindu member who took part in the voting and cast his vote in favour of the motion.

The House rejected the motion and adjourned till tomorrow.

ADJOURNMENT MOTION DROPPED

NEW DELHI, April 5 (A. P. I.): The adjournment motion, which was held over from Tuesday, to discuss the requisitioning of Brahmashram Masur including a temple and religious math and residential huts of hermits at Ambernath, was dropped to-day after a statement was made by the Defence Secretary Mr.

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Jairamdas Doulatram Released

Asaf Ali Passes Through Delhi: Touching Scenes At Railway Station

KARACHI, April 5, (U. P. I.) Mr. Jairamdas Doulatram, former member of the Congress Working Committee, was released today from the Hyderabad (Sind) Jail.

ASAF ALI AT DELHI

NEW DELHI, April 5 (A.P.I.): Mr. Asaf Ali, a member of the Congress Working Committee, who is being transferred from Ahmednagar to Gurudaspur passed through Delhi today. He was escorted by a D.S.P., C.I.D. a sub-inspector and four police constables.

Mr. Asaf Ali spent the day in a waiting room at the Delhi railway station before proceeding to Gurudaspur by the Frontier Mail.

A large number of Congressmen and other friends including Hafiz Mohammed Ibrahim, Dr. Shaukat Ullah Shah Ansari, Mrs. Radhabai Subbarayan, Dr. K. M. Ashraf greeted him at the station. Mr. Asaf Ali looked pale and weak, having lost about 13 lbs. in weight while a two-month old beard made recognition difficult even for close associates.

A pressman offered him a copy of a Delhi newspaper but the Police Superintendent in charge said this was not allowed. It is stated that during the 32 months' detention Mr. Asaf Ali was allowed to read only a few Bombay, Lahore, Calcutta and foreign papers.

There was a touching scene when Mr. Asaf Ali embraced two of his relatives in tearful silence.

During earlier conversation Mr. Asaf Ali enquired about the health of Pandit Pant and other Congress friends and conveyed salaams to other friends in Delhi.

PT. PANT EXAMINED BY MEDICAL BOARD

NEW DELHI, April 5 (A.P.I.): Pandit Govind Ballabh Pant was examined this afternoon by a medical board consisting of Dr. N. C. Joshi, Dr. B. C. Roy, Dr. S. K. Sen and Dr. B. Pant.

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PLOT AGAINST FRENCH STATE

10 Alleged Members Of Fascist Doriot Party Arrested

PARIS, Thursday (Reuter). About ten arrests have been made it was learned here today, in connection with what is believed to be a widespread plot against the safety of the French state.

The persons arrested are understood to be members of a party formerly led by the French Fascist, Jacques Doriot.

Further details of the plot revealed that for some weeks past the French Civil Investigation department have been keeping watch on the underground activities of a number of persons who went under style of "Government of Sigmaringen."

They were members of the Doriot organisation, the French People's party which has been banned since France's liberation.

It was stated today that the conspirators had received orders from Germany to establish an organisation in Paris with a view to overthrowing the Government.

Reuter adds that Doriot was reported by the German news agency six weeks ago to have been killed in an Allied air attack in South-West Germany.

"The Government of Sigmaringen" appears to have taken its name from the German village which until recently was the seat of the Puppet Vichy Government.

U. S. Troops Advance Through Battered Bitburg

Infantrymen and jeep-borne machine gunners of the Fifth Division, First U. S. Army, advance through the rubble and ruins of Bitburg, Germany.—U. S. O. W. I.

KHER INAUGURATES TRAINING CAMP AT BORIVLI

Exhorts Youth To Imbibe Kasturba's Spirit Of Service And Sacrifice

BORIVLI, April 5. (U.P.I.): The advice that the trainees of the Camp must imbibe the spirit of sacrifice and service which characterised Kasturba, and dedicate their lives to the service of the millions of poor and helpless women and children in the villages of India and to transform the villages into self-sufficient and prosperous units which they used to be at one time, was tendered by Mr. B. G. Kher, former Premier of Bombay, inaugurating the Borivli Training Camp organised under the Kasturba Trust Scheme this afternoon.

"The essential basis of development of our villages", said Mr. Kher, "centres round the provision of adequate and nutritious food, clothing, housing, health, education and means of communication in the villages. Village workers under training must be initiated to work out the solution of these problems in a well-planned and methodical way.

SANITATION AND HYGIENE.

"Our activities may be roughly divided under three heads. The first head relates to sanitation, hygiene, medical etc. so as to improve the health of women and children in rural areas as Gandhiji has said that the welfare of his conception encompasses the whole life of women and children in the villages. It, therefore, includes maternity, hygiene and the treatment of diseases and education.

BASIC EDUCATION.

"The second head is the education of women and children. The Hindustani Talimi Sangh has now expanded the scope of its activities and they comprise pre-basic, basic, post-basic and adult education scheme. The Wardha Scheme of education has been tried for six years now and the results have been very encouraging. Education of boys and girls in basic schools will have to be undertaken.

COTTAGE INDUSTRIES.

"The third head of activities is calculated to improve the economic condition of women and children. Attempts must be made to increase the income of the family by providing suitable and lucrative employment. Village and cottage industries which are suitable for the localities will have to be started and taught.

ORIGIN OF KASTURBA FUND.

Earlier Mr. Kher referred to the formation of the Trust and said: "As you all know, after the death of Shrimati Kasturba Gandhi in the Agakhan Palace, Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya and others decided to raise a fund in her memory. It was originally intended to raise Rs. 75,00,000 and present it to Mahatma Gandhi on his 75th birthday but the Fund exceeded Rs. 1 crore and 20 lakhs. Mahatma Gandhi to whom it was presented on his 75th birthday, decided that it should be applied for such charitable activities as would conduce to the general welfare of the poor and needy women and children in the rural areas of India.

Considering that we have 7,00,000 villages in India we can readily understand that large as it is, this amount is not by itself sufficient substantially to improve the condition of all the poor women and children in our villages, but it will be quite sufficient to make a good beginning. Our first need would be to understand clearly the nature of the activities which must be carried on to achieve the object of the Trust.

The second need would be to train competent workers to carry on those activities and the third to carry them out in an efficient manner. If we do this, necessary funds are bound to be forthcoming. Our first task to-day is therefore to lay a solid and lasting foundation for the structure which we propose to raise."

Walk-Out From Congress Meeting

Quarrel Over Right To Vote Leads To Formation Of Rival Assemblies

LAHORE, April 4 (A. P. I.): A dispute over the question of habitual wearing of Khaddar and the participation of Communists in the meeting led to the formation of two rival workers assemblies in Lahore last night.

A meeting of Congressmen was convened last night at the office of the "Paras" a vernacular weekly, to elect office-bearers for the Lahore District Congress Workers' Assembly under the Presidency of Babu Mohamed Din. An objection was raised that those who were not habitual wearers of Khaddar and were not active workers of the Congress including the Communists had no right to vote in the election of office-bearers.

The President overruled the objection holding that those present at the meeting were all Congressmen and had a right to vote. He also permitted Communists to participate in the election of office-bearers.

As a protest against the ruling of the Chair over 90 Congressmen headed by Khalifa Fazal Din walked out of the meeting.

The meeting was continued by the remaining Congressmen who elected Shaikh Mohamed Hayat as President.

The group which had staged a walk-out, however, held a separate meeting and elected Khalifa Fazal Din as President. Other office-bearers were also elected.

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Indian Industrialists For U. S.

Possibilities Of American Credit For Industrial Expansion In India

WASHINGTON, April 4 (U.P.A.): An eleven-man industrial mission from India, including such figures as J.R.D. Tata and G. D. Birla is expected to arrive in the United States between the middle of May and early June for a nation-wide tour of heavy industrial centres, according to responsible sources here.

The mission now en route to England will continue here after spending a month or two inspecting British industries.

It is understood the members of the missions want to spend about equal times in Britain and the United States to see all types of heavy industry such as steel, chemical and railway equipment manufactures, particularly locomotives, shipbuilding, aviation, cotton textiles and many others including, perhaps, automobiles.

The purpose of the missions is to calculate the possibilities of expanding Indian industry on a larger and more efficient scale which may be done, in some cases, along American lines.

Activities of the Mission in England will be similar.

Authoritative reports here said the missions will consult United States bankers on the possibilities of large credits in the United States to help the construction of more industries in India and also that they will consult many high officials in Washington on these and related subjects.

It is understood United States officials will extend any help and courtesy possible to the missions although the Administration is not involved as a sponsor of the tour.

TATA AIRLINES WILL NOT SEND REPRESENTATIVES?

BOMBAY, April 5 (A.P.I.): The Indian National Airways, it is learnt, will send their representatives to the International Air Transport Operators' Conference to be held at Havana (Cuba) on April 16. The Tata Airlines who had been invited to the conference, it is understood, are not sending representatives to the conference.

The conference, which is being organised by the Air Transport Association of American Trade Associations representing United States Air Lines, is expected to discuss mainly questions relating to the rates and make recommendations to an interim authority. The organisation is designed to encourage international air transport "for the benefit of the peoples of the world."

Indian Fabrics For Manchester Exhibition

MANCHESTER, Thursday (Reuter): Printed fabrics by Indian artists loaned by the Government of India arrived here today in readiness for an exhibition of commercial arts at the Manchester Cotton Board's offices.

The exhibition due to open tomorrow, is composed of the latest designs in fabrics and exhibitors include leading Lancashire designers, the American Cotton Board and the Manchester school of art.

Fabrics made in Switzerland will also be shown.

STORY BEHIND WYLIE'S NEW JOB

Said To Have Displeased Princes And Invited Unpopularity

CALCUTTA, April 4 (O. P. I.): Delhi correspondent of "Hindustan Standard" writes that there is a story behind the appointment of Sir Francis Wylie as Governor of U. P.

According to him Sir Francis had on the request of Lord Linlithgow given up C. P. Governorship to become Political Adviser and look after the Indian States. Sir Francis, however, proved too strong for Indian Princes and became unpopular with them. He and his Secretary, Mr. A. C. Griffin were, it is said, mainly responsible for the deadlock between the Political Department and the Princes and their subsequent en masse resignations from the Standing Committee of the Chamber of Princes.

While the Princes have lost considerably in that they were not consulted in the choice of delegation to 'Frisco Conference and Nawab of Bhopal's protest seems to have gone in vain and Lord Wavell punished the Princes for daring to ignore him by non-co-operation.

The Princes have at the same time gained in as much as the officers, namely, Sir Francis and Mr. Griffin with whom they did not want to deal, have been removed.

"Refusal" Of Hospital Authorities To Supply Penicillin

THE OTHER SIDE OF THE SHIELD

(From Our Correspondent)

JUBBULPORE, April 5.

Further information, which has reached me in connection with the reported refusal by the Victoria Hospital authorities to make the supply of the Penicillin injections from the hospital stock to a patient on the prescription of an eminent private medical practitioner and the recommendation of the District Magistrate, Jubbulpore, reveals the other side of the story.

It is pointed out that the rules and regulations framed by the Provincial Government to regulate the supply of the Penicillin drug for the use of the civilian population are so "rigid" that they have left no room for a member of the Provincial Medical Service to use his discretion in the matter of the supply of the drug to private patients even in the cases of extreme emergency. It is further stated that if a patient stands in need of the Penicillin drug, then the physician (of course a private medical practitioner) should first approach the civil surgeon and convince him that "the Penicillin sensitive organism of the patient has failed to respond to the treatment of the sulpha-group drugs, and that the pathological examination report and the other tests go to show that the patient stands in the need of the Penicillin drug."

If the civil surgeon is satisfied with this report then he will recommend to the stockists of the Penicillin drug, who have got their establishments in the big cities like Bombay and Calcutta, to give the supply of the rare drug to the patient. If the patend is lucky enough to survive the period of this lengthy procedure, which is required to be ceremoniously fulfilled under the "red-tapism", then he would be able to get the Penicillin for his use. And if, in the meantime, the patient succumbs to his illness then there remains no use in wasting the "rare medicine" on him.

The rules and regulations laid down by the Government insist upon the removal of the patient first to the hospital, and if he withstands all the tests and the examinations then only he can get the Penicillin drug. As regards the reported supply of the drug by the Victoria Hospital authorities to a reputed private medical practitioner who has arrived in Jubbulpore from outside the Province, it is stated that the supply of the Penicillin was never made to him by the hospital authorities and that the doctor himself had brought with him the drug from Bombay.

It is now being suggested to the Provincial Government by the medicos that it should amend its rules relating to the supply of the Penicillin from the Government hospital stocks and help the needy persons in obtaining the drug in the hour of their need.

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Textile Shares Look Up

COTTON IMPROVES AFTER EASY START

Bullion Market Very Steady

BOMBAY, April 5.

The Bombay Stock Exchange ruled steady today with improved buying in Bombay Dyeing shares. Tata Steel shares also met good support but the improvement influenced some selling. As a result of day's working Tata Steel Dfd. shares gained Rs. 8/- and Ordinary shares improved rupee one. Bombay Dyeing shares recorded a rise of Rs. 10/- while Kohinoors recovered one point.

Cotton market opened quiet and declined under renewed liquidation. However active professional support soon appeared and quotations recovered.

Bullion market was very steady on continued buying with good demand for Gold and Silver from consumers.

The Share Bazar was steady today with a slightly improved buying in leading shares. The market opened low but there was absence of any important selling and quotations gradually improved under short covering. Trading was restricted and professional operators are keenly watching war developments. In the meantime there remains only routine business. Tata Steel Def Shares opened at Rs. 1997 and improved to Rs. 2012 Ordinary Shares opened at Rs. 373 and improved to Rs. 375 Bombay Dyeing Shares were fairly firm with active buying and after opening at Rs. 1813 advanced to Rs. 1826 Kohinoor Mill Shares opened at Rs. 598 and steadied at Rs. 599.

Record Of Actual Transactions In Shares

BOMBAY, April 5.

MILLS.

Apollo 3/12/6 3/12 3/12/3
B. Dyeing 1813/12 26/4 23/12 27/8 25 30 26/4 30 25 28/12
Bradbury (Ord) 297/8
Central India (Ord) 376 80/8 79/8 80/8
Century 925 20
Colaba 209 8 9
Edward Textile 645 37/8
Elphinstone (Ord) 83 82/8
Elphinstone (Pref) 121/14
Finlay 298/8 300 299 300
Gokak 292/8 95/8 95
India United (Defd) 2/15 2/15/6
India United (Ord) 13/15 14/10 14/5 14/7 14/4 14/5/6
Indore 690 96/4 93/12 710 3/12 6/4
Kohinoor 597 600 599 600 598 99
Madhavji (Defd) 14/4 (odd Lot)
Madhusudan 407/8 8/12
Meyer 193/12 92/8 95 93/12
Model 243/12
Morarjee 695 90
Mysore 290
New Great 364 65/8
Phoenix 638/12
Podar 332/8 30
Sassoon Silk 79/8
Sassoon Cotton 21/12
Simplex 248 49 48/8 49/8 47 48/8
Swadeshi 534 39 38 39 37 38 37
Swan 324 26 24
Tata Mills 55/12 56 55/12
Vishnu 475

BANKS.

A. B. C. 37/2
Baroda 137
Central 77/12 78 77 77/12
Habib 77/8
Imperial (Old) 1982/8
Imperial (New) 491/4
India 488/8
National Savings (P. P.) 37/4
Reserve 134/4
United Commercial 69

ELECTRIC.

Ahmedabad 225
Andhra Valley (Ord) 1770
Tram (Ord) 146/8 47
Tram (Pref) 66 66/8
Karachi 221/4
Surat 226/4 26/14 26/4
Hydro (Ord) 205/8
Hydro (Pref) 168/12
Power (Ord) 186/8 61/4

INSURANCE.

British India 20/12
New India 77/12
Scindia 31/4 31/2 31/11
Tata Steel (Defd) 1995 2002/8 1996/4 2007/8 3/12 10 7/8 13/12 7/8 12/8 11/4
Tata Steel (Ord) 370 75 74/8 75 74 74/8
Tata Steel (1st Pref) 223/2
Tata Steel (2nd Pref) 159

MISCELLANEOUS.

Alcock 395 96/4
A. Cement 222/8 21/8 25 24/4 24/8
Belapur 213 15
Burmah (Old) 505 12/8 10
B. B. Petrol 4/12 4/12/6 4/12/3
Dharamsey 50
I. Bleaching 169/8 70
I. I. Trust 118/8 (Ex. Div)
Port Canning 104/8
P. Construction (Ord) 199 98 200
P. Construction (1st Pref) 137/8
Shivrajpur 51
Tata Chemical (Ord) 20/2 20
Tata Chemical (Pref) 128
Tata Oil 62/8
Coorla Mills 215

GOLD & SILVER

BOMBAY, April 5.

The Reserve Bank of India sold today 300 bars Silver at Rs. 130 and 28,000 tolas Gold at Rs 73/2. The forward Gold market opened at Rs. 72/14 and after improving to Rs. 72/15 declined to Rs. 72/6 on realising but again steadied at Rs. 72/10. Ready Gold was quoted at Rs 73/1. Forward Silver opened at Rs. 129/2 and after declining to Rs. 128/14 advanced to Rs. 129/6 and steadied at Rs. 129/6. Ready Silver was quoted at Rs. 132/6. Tone was steady.

The market maintained steady tone throughout the session and closing quotations were as under:—

Ready Gold	73	1	0
Gold Settlement	72	10	0
Silver Ready	131	8	0
Silver Settlement	129	0	0
Sovereigns	50	2	0

Metal Quotations

BOMBAY, April 5.

Copper Ready	140	0	0
Copper Chaitra	136	0	0
Brass Ready	152	0	0
Brass Chaitra	135	4	0

BOMBAY COTTON

BOMBAY, April 5.

The local cotton market opened quiet today and declined further on long liquidation but the decline induced some short covering. The market was dull and featureless and with utter absence of support. The market was expected to open at Rs. 439 but it opened quiet and declined to Rs. 436/8 under renewed selling. At this level the decline was checked by moderate covering and May delivery rallied to Rs. 438.

There was active professional buying and May advanced to Rs. 441/12. At this level there appeared some realising and May reacted to Rs. 439/8. The market finally closed at 6 p.m. as under:—

I.C.C. May	439	12	0
I.C.C. July	454	0	0
I.C.C. Sept.	463	8	0

Cotton Parity

Indian Cotton May Contract is 522 cent points below New York May at Exchange rate 331.

High And Low Cotton Prices

BOMBAY, April 5.

I.C.C. May Highest 446, Lowest 439. Closing at 6 p.m. 439-1/2

I.C.C. July Highest 460-1/2 Lowest 454-1/4. Closing at 6 p.m. 454-3/4

I.C.C. Sept. Highest 469, Lowest 462. Closing at 6 p.m. 463

Karachi 4F May Highest 46-4-6, Lowest 45-9-9 Closing at 6 p.m. 45-11-6

Bombay Produce

BOMBAY, April 5.

The Produce market was dull and in the absence of important business there was no change in quotations Groundnuts Khandesh quality Bombay Presidency Rs. 15 and Bold Rs. 14/4, Bombay Ready 15/5, Goa Delivery Goa delivery was Rs. 13/10 Castorseeds Rs. 15/7, Linseed C.P.and U.P. Rs. 15/12. G.I.P. Stations Rs. 15/11 and N. S. Ry. 15/10/6.

SCARCITY OF CONTRACTS IN N.-Y. COTTON MARKET

Fears Of Floods In Mississippi

NEW YORK, April 4.

The market was narrow with trade buying offsetting scattered selling due to the favourable character of war news. Fears of floods in the Mississippi valley and the Daily News Record estimate of farmers' planting intentions at 18 936,000 acres, together with the expected continuance of present price controls were steadying features. Routine price-fixing and the relative scarcity of contracts were the principal features in the afternoon. The market closed very steady.

July opened at 21.92 and declined to 21.88 but later improved to 21.94. The market closed at a rise of 4 to 7 points. Spot cotton price gained 3 points at 22.50 c per lb.

NEW YORK COTTON
NEW YORK, April 4.

May	22.15+04
July	21.94+05
October	21.47+05
December	21.39+07
January	21.32+07
March	21.30+07
July highest (3 p m)	21.94+05
July lowest (10.46 a m)	21.88—01
Middling Spot	22.50+03

NEW ORLEANS COTTON
NEW YORK April 4.

May	22.13+03
July	21.91+05
October	21.44+02
Middling Spot	21.60+05

NOON CALL
NEW YORK, April 4.

May	22.12
July	21.89
October	21.42

LONDON WHEAT.

Wheat Rozario Santa Fe (New Crop) 48/3 April-May quoted, Wheat Australian (bulk) unquoted, Wheat Australian (Sags) unquoted.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

London April 4.

Rupee Paper 3-1/2 p c £72-5/8, Consols 2-1/2 p c £83-1/8, Conversion Loan 3-1/2 p c 1961 £106-1/8 War Loan 3-1/2 p c £105-1/2, Funding Loan 4 p c 1960/90 £114. Victory Bonds 4 p c £114, Chartered Bank of I. A. & China £11-15/16, Hongkong & Shanghai Bank (London Reg.) £89. National Bank of India £42-3/4.

U. S. May Import 5,000 Bales Of Indian Cotton

NEW YORK, April 3, (Globe): The U. S. War Production Board is considering granting authorisation for importing 5,000 bales of raw cotton from India and is now prepared to authorise importation of wool originating in Tibet and Afghanistan. Cotton is reported to be available in Calcutta for immediate shipment, and authorisation will be granted primarily to firms who imported Indian cotton between 1937 and 1941 inclusive. Authorisations will be limited to stocks at present available in Calcutta.

American Markets

CHICAGO, April 4 (U.P.A.)—War and price control uncertainties kept trading at a low level and prices in a narrow range on the New York Cotton Exchange today.

On Worth Street trading in the cotton goods business was dull as a result of favourable war developments and confusion regarding Government regulations.

The release of limited high rated priorities in civilian supplies is reported to be near vanishing.

Wall Street Market

NEW YORK, April 4, (U.P.A.)—Prices hit a new low level for over six months on the New York Stock Exchange today.

Trading was irregular with traders anticipating technical reactions after six sessions of advancing prices.

Most steel and motor issues eased although losses were partially restored late in the session.

Chicago Grains Market

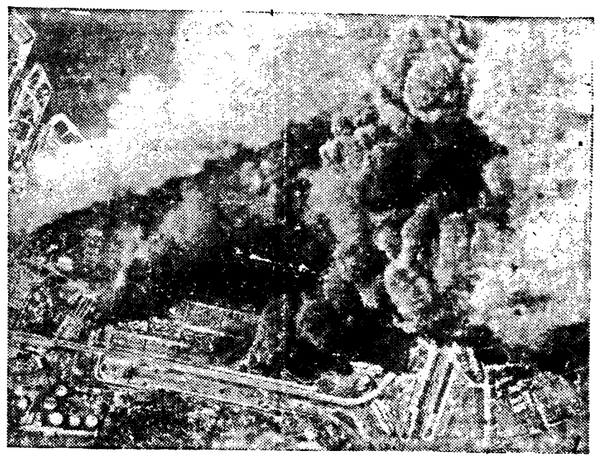
CHICAGO, April 4, (U.P.A.)—Grain prices lifted with May and July contracts for rye reaching new seasonal high levels on the Chicago Commodity Exchange today.

Wheat reflected the strength of other grains and closed steady to firm.

PROFITS OF U. S. CORPORATIONS.

NEW YORK, April 5, (A. P. A.): The National City Bank reports that a survey of 2,655 United States Corporations showed an aggregate 1944 net of dol. 5,241,000,000 after taxes as compared with dol. 5,266,000,000 in 1943.

The decline is attributable to advanced costs for labour and material and lower profit margins, the bank said.



American "Super-Fortresses of the Twentieth Bomber Command pastered the Empire Dock in Singapore recently, virtually wiping out the latex installations, cold-storage plant, tanks, warehouses, pipe system and other primary facilities within the target area. —U. S. O. W. I.

Hitler Growing Beard!

Would Now Trick Any Passport Officer In World!

LONDON, April 5

Among many curious reports reaching London is a story from Switzerland giving a new explanation why Hitler has shunned public limelight for the last three months.

According to this report which quotes two German doctors belonging to Fuhrer's medical staff, Hitler has been 'growing beard.' His face is reported to be reddish brown mingled with grey. With a new hair style it is alleged to have changed his appearance completely.

According to the German doctors, "Hitler would now trick any passport officer in the world."—United Press of India.

Statement Of The Affairs Of The Imperial Bank Of India

Statement of the Affairs of the Imperial Bank of India on the 30th March, 1945:—

LIABILITIES.

CAPITAL:—Rs. 5,62,50,000; Reserve Fund Rs. 6,00,00,000. Fixed Deposit, Savings Bank, Current and other Accounts Rs. 234,13 50,000; Sundries Rs. 1,09,19,000. Total Rs. 246,85,19,000.

ASSETS.

INVESTMENTS:—Government Securities Rs. 124,38,67,000; Other Authorised Investments Rs. 4,17,03,000; ADVANCES:—Loans Rs. 22,60,70,000; Cash Credits and Overdrafts Rs. 42,92,58,000; Bills Discounted and Purchased Rs. 4,31,67,000; Dead Stock Rs. 1,66,58,000; Sundries Rs. 1,12,87,000; CASH:—In hand with the Reserve Bank of India Rs. 45,32,75,000; Balances with other Banks Rs. 32,34,000. Total Rs. 246,85,19,000.

Madras Share Bazar

MADRAS, April 5, (A. P. I.): Deccan 37, Do. 85 India Sugar 31, Mysore Sugar 58/4, Soun India 16/8, Travancore 14/10, Cochin Malabar 16/7, Chembra Peaks 9/1, Coorg 90, Devashola 12/12, Frangfords 14/14, High Produce 30/8, Kalpettas 31/8, Malankara 83, Manalur 6/2, Midland 12/1, Neilithanam 14, Pullangodes 2/11/6, Thirumbadi 3/14, Vaikundam 19/14, Veliamalai 27/12, Relli Tam 34/10, Woodlands 11/12, Bangalore Wool 464, B. and C. Ordy. 316/8, Coimbatore Spg. 146, Coimbatore Murugan X.D. 179, Do. New X.D. 93, Dhanalaxmi CD 340, Kothari Tex 31, Lakshmi 145, Do. New 72/8, Mettur 255, Madura 70, Pankaja CD 262/8, Rangavilas CD 141, Sitaram Spg. 165, Vasantha CD 302/8, And Cement CD 117, Bruntons 12/4, Hind Trust 22/8, Ind. Std. Roll 9/10, Mysore Chem. and Fert 22/12, Mysore Chem. F. Mfrs. 32, Mettur Chem. 15/4, Do. Defds. 6, Singareni 20/12, Spencer 13/1.

Calicut Quotations

CALICUT, April 5.

Cocoanuts Raw 82, Dry 80, Cocoanut Oil 325 Copra Office 195, Dilpasand 210, Madrasnottam 220, Goodgooda 220, Pepper Wynaad 375, Country 370, Dry Ginger Chernadi 250, Ernad 240, Coffee Robusta 84.

HAPUR QUOTATIONS.

HAPUR, April 5.

Grain prices unchanged at control rates arrivals yet very poor, wheat almost nil. Exports heavy. Stocks Wheat 40, Barley 51, Peas 12, Khattees Maize 6/1, Bajra 7/6, Juwar 7/9, Slightly Bearish Urad 13/14, Moong 11/4 Arhar Old 6/12, New 7, Peas Old 5/8, Gur 9/2, Gur Bilties for Punjab 10/6, Bengal 10/4, Rajputana 11/12, C. P. 11/8, Cottonseed 10/4, Chilki 9/4, Bardana Chet 55, Asuj 54/12, Guwar Baisakh 7/4, Maha 6/4, Silver 129/2, Gold 72/4. Futures quiet.

DEMAND FOR TYRES.

AKRON, OHIO, April 5, (A. P. A.): J. J. Newman, vice president of the B. F. Goodrich Company, predicts that the next quarter year will be "the most critical transport period in the rubber-borne history" of the United States as a result of military demands for tyres.

Sir Shah Nawaz Examined In Allahbux Murder Trial

Ex-Judge Of Bombay High Court Holds Brief For Khuhro

SUKKUR, April 4 (A.P.I.): Sir Shah Nawaz Bhutto, member of the Sind-Bombay Public Services Commission, was examined to-day when the Sessions trial of Khan Bahadur Khuhro, his brother Mr. Muhammad Nawaz Khuhro and three others was resumed before Mr. Paymaster, Sessions Judge.

Mr. A. K. Somji, who had acted as a Judge of the Bombay High Court in 1942, appeared on behalf of Khan Bahadur Khuhro to-day.

When the trial was resumed after lunch Crown Counsel, Mr. Partabrai Punwani informed the Court that Hasan, a prosecution witness who was examined in the lower court had since been murdered.

Mohamed Khan, approver in the first Allahbux murder case was then examined. He narrated in detail how the late Mr. Allahbux was murdered. This examination had not concluded when the Court rose for the day.

AMERICANS LAND ON MASBATE ISLAND

Damage 28 Small Ships On Amami Group Of Southern Ryukyus

MANILA, April 4 (Reuter: With the seizure of Tawi Tawi and the establishment of blockading airfields American forces control more than one thousand miles from the northern end of Luzon to the southern tip of the Sulu Archipelago, General MacArthur's 'communique' stated to-day.

American forces landed on Masbate Island in the Central Philippines on Tuesday with little opposition.

Masbate, one of the larger islands of the Visayas group in the Central Philippines, is about 40 miles due west of the Bernadino Strait which separates south-eastern Luzon from Samar Island.

GAUM, April 4 (Reuter): A 'communique' from the United States Pacific Fleet Advanced Headquarters, Guam states: Gains on all fronts on Okinawa were reported by Admiral Chester Nimitz in his 'communique' to-day. Japanese resistance continues scattered.

56 JAP PLANES DESTROYED

American position along the coast of Nakagusuku Bay have been consolidated. Third marines at the north established a line on the narrow Isthmus north of Yontan Hill. The American line now measures 15 miles from north to south, where it projects into Japanese pillbox positions four miles from the capital city of Naha.

American carrier planes attacked aircraft and installations on the Amami group of southern Ryukyus on Tuesday, destroying or damaging 56 Japanese planes and sinking or damaging 28 small ships.

U. S. Ambassador To China

WASHINGTON, April 4 (Reuter): It is learned that Major-General Patrick Hurley, the United States Ambassador to China, will probably travel on to Moscow from London on his way back to Chungking.

FRENCH GENERAL ON TREASON CHARGE

Opposed Allied Entry Into Syria In 1941

PARIS, April 4 (Reuter): On a charge of high treason General Dentz, former French High Commissioner in Syria, who commanded the French troops which opposed Allied entry into Syria and the Lebanon in the summer of 1941, has been committed for trial by the High Court Examining Commission.

The trial will probably open on April 17.

CANADA TO FOLLOW ALLIED STRATEGY

To Use Troops Against Japan As Per Agreement

OTTAWA, April 4 (Reuter): The Canadian Prime Minister, Mr. Mackenzie King told the House of Commons to-day that the determining factor of what Canadian forces would be used in the Pacific war after Germany was defeated would have to be what was needed where and when according to Allied strategy and agreement.

He stated, however, that the Royal Canadian Navy would co-operate with the British Pacific Fleet as conditions required and permitted. Royal Canadian Air Force Squadrons would co-operate with the R.A.F. The Canadian Army Force would operate with the United States Army after first being reorganised and trained in Canada.

BRITISH LEFT WING PRESS BLAMES INDIA

"News Chronicle" Asks Whitehall To Take Initiative And End Deadlock

LONDON, April 4 (Reuter): The present unusually keen interest in the British press—in leading articles and correspondence columns—in India's political future has resulted in an unexpected development.

The "News Chronicle" is publishing a leader to-morrow in which it says. "The prolonged stalemate ending in the break-down last year in the Gandhi-Jinnah talks has made it unlikely that the Indians themselves will be able to resolve their problem."

This is the first time any British Left Wing newspaper has put the responsibility for the deadlock on the Indians; hitherto comment as invariably blamed the British authorities for showing a lack of initiative.

The "News Chronicle" continues, "We shall continue to administer India's affairs in an atmosphere of suspicion and of widespread unwillingness to co-operate. This is bound to reach disastrously not only upon India's position in the post-war world but also upon our own repute as a "liberating power."

The only way out is for the British statesmen to make fresh efforts. We must suggest something more specific than the Cripps Formula.

"Times" Suggests Interim Govt. For India

LONDON, April 5 (Reuter): The assertion that it should be possible with British assistance to form an interim Government in India with responsibilities characteristic of Dominion Status is made by the "Times" in a leader to-day, reviewing the work of the Sapru-Conciliation Committee.

The paper says, "It seems already clear that the second or constructive portion of the Committee's work is likely to be highly controversial."

The alternative schemes for a National Government, though constructive in their aim and worthy of careful study, suffer from the disadvantage of requiring immediate and extensive legislative changes in the Government of India Act of 1935.

Quite apart from the practical difficulty of undertaking complicated legislation at the present time, there is also the far more serious difficulty of determining exactly what amendments would be acceptable to India.

If there were an overwhelming volume of public opinion in India supporting the particular modifications of the Act suggested by the Sapru Committee, the former difficulty might not be wholly insurmountable. But no such agreement exists.

FOOD FAMINE IN GOA

Portuguese Government Accused Of Apathy

Mr. George Vaz, Secretary of the Goan Youth League in the course of a statement to the press on the food situation in Goa writes:—

The people of Goa are facing the gravest food crisis in the history of their country but they are receiving neither succour nor sympathy from abroad because the facts regarding the Goa Famine are denied publicity by the fascist censorship of the press in Goa.

The irresponsibility of the autocratic Portuguese Government and the inefficiency and corruption of the bureaucracy bear the largest share of responsibility for the present famine. The Portuguese Government has completely failed to control prices or to arrange for the proper distribution of existing stocks of rice. Under the so called rationing system the majority of the people have so far only received their ration cards! The amount of food per head allotted under this rationing system, even if it were available, is far below what would be known as "famine rations" in British India. The cultivators have been forced to eat out of the seed reserved for the next crop which, thus reduced, will still further aggravate the famine conditions in the near future. The Portuguese Government is thus blundering towards the perpetuation of famine conditions in Goa.

RICE QUOTA REDUCED.

But the British Government is also to blame in the matter. Even in normal times, Goa does not produce enough rice to feed her population for more than eight months in the year and the deficit was made good by imports from British India to the extent of approximately 175,000 khandis of rice. This quota of rice imports has been very considerably reduced by the British Government. The decrease at present from normal imports amounts to 126,000 khandis, equal to the food required for one-fourth of the total population. The hardships, of course, bear most heavily on the poorer section of the population.

Representations to the Portuguese Governments in Goa and in Lisbon to do something for the starving people, have been ignored. With a view to "saving face" the Government of Goa has officially denied that there is any cause for anxiety regarding the food situation in Goa. Appeals to the Central Government of British India to put Goa on a par with the rest of Bombay Province in respect of food supplies have so far proved fruitless. It is now for the people in British India, both Goan and non-Goan, to take up the cry of the famine-stricken in Goa and to agitate so that the present arrangements by which the contrary policies of the two Governments act as the upper and nether millstones for the grinding down of a people guiltless of all offence, shall cease forthwith.

Arrested For Breaches Of Control Order

(From Our Correspondent)

BANDRA, April 5.

Sub-Inspector H. B. Ayhre, of the Food Control Branch, Bombay Suburban District carried out a series of raids at Malad. He arrested Mangalal Chapshi and Chapshi Wickpal for selling 'tur' pulse (dal) without license and for having 38 maunds of jaggery which, it is alleged, was undeclared. He arrested Rajabally Husseinally another shopkeeper for alleged profiteering in Lifebuoy Soap and also sale of 'tur' dal.

Ganpat Prashad Ramnil a cloth merchant of the same place was arrested for alleged selling of controlled cloth over the 'texed' mark. He is being tried under the Yarn Control Order of 1943.

CALCUTTA RICE POSITION IMPROVES

CALCUTTA, April 5. (A. P. I.): The position with regard to rice in Calcutta seems to have considerably improved. This is indicated by a Bengal Government announcement that with effect from April 9, ration card holders may take their entire cereal ration in rice, which is four seers for an adult and two seers for a child.

LICENCES CANCELLED FOR PROFITEERING

For profiteering in drugs, the wholesale and retail drug licences held by Messrs. the Indo-Burma Medical Agency, of Anand Bhuvan", Princess Street Bombay, have been cancelled by the Government of Bombay.

CALCUTTA, April 4

One Rabindranath Bose was fined Rs. 2,000 in default six months' R. I. for selling a pair of dhoties at Rs. 12/8 as against the stamped retail price of Rs. 7/8.—O.P.I.

SIR OLIVER LEESE GETS LEGION OF MERIT

Highly Praises Indian Troops Under His Command

WASHINGTON, April 4 (Reuter): Lieutenant-General Sir Oliver Leese, Commanding Allied Land Forces South-East Asia, has been awarded the United States legion of merit, in the degree of Commander, for his work in the Mediterranean operations when he commanded the British Eighth Army after Field-Marshal Montgomery.

The citation says he wolded the Eighth Army into a magnificent fighting forces.

Reuter adds, General Leese before leaving Italy gave high praise to the Indian troops under his command, those including the Eighth and the Tenth Divisions.

COMMISSIONS IN INDIAN ARMY

NEW DELHI, April 5 (A.P.I.). For several months the opportunity has been open for Indian emergency commissioned officers and officers of the Indian wing of the Army in India reserve of officers who fulfil the conditions laid down to send in their names to be registered for regular commissions in the Indian Army. Many hundreds have already applied and applications continue to flow in.

LA PLATA MEAT PACKING WORKERS ON STRIKE

BUENOS AIRES, April 4 (Reuter): More than 20,000 workers in the meat packing plants at La Plata and Avellaneda struck to-day in protest against dismissal of some fellow workmen. Strict measures have been taken to maintain order

German Commerce Chamber Secretary Shot By Gestapo?

STOCKHOLM, April 4 (Reuter): Stockholm radio said tonight that Max Clausen, Secretary of the German Chamber of Commerce was shot in his flat at Charlottenlund, Denmark, last night.

The attack it added, was believed to have been the work of Gestapo as Clausen had arranged to escape to Sweden.

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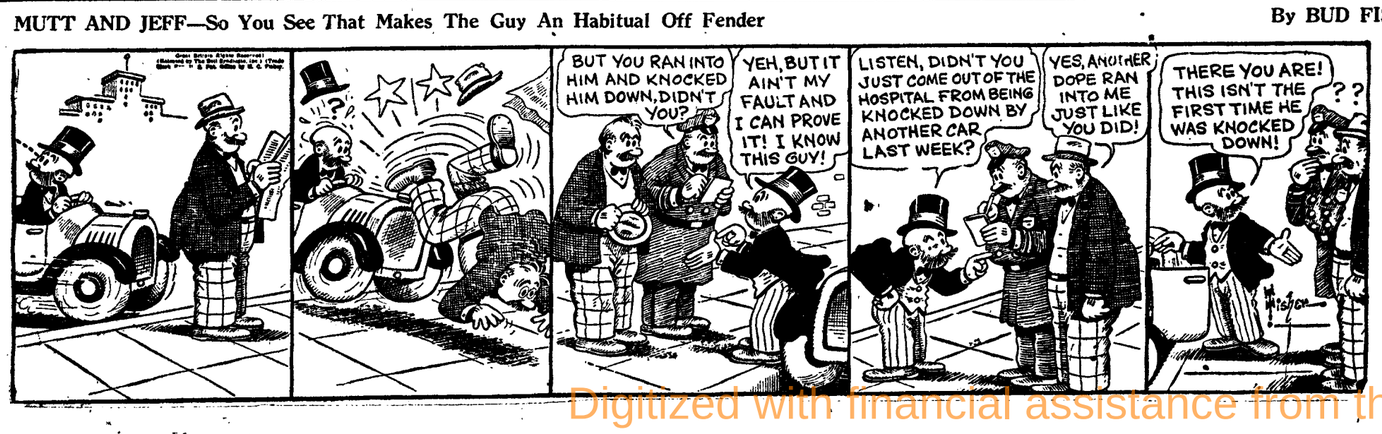
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APPLICATION has been made to the Directors of this Company by Mr. Bhogilal Bhikhalal, son of Mr. Bhikalal Kalyanji, to issue duplicate Temporary Transfer Receipts No. 16|423, 16|424 and 16|426 for 20 Ordinary Shares numbered 18240|249, 9606|10 and 16762|66, at present standing in the name of his father, upon the statement that the original receipts have been lost or destroyed. And Notice is hereby given that if within 30 days from the date hereof no claim or representation in respect of such original receipts is made to the said Directors at the Company's Office at United India Building, Sir Pherozshah Mehta Road, Fort, Bombay, they will then proceed to deal with such application for duplicate Temporary Transfer Receipts.

BHOGILAL BHIKHALAL.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

G. I. P. RAILWAY
EMPLOYMENT NOTICE

WANTED, as a temporary measure for the duration of the war, Lady Stenographer for the Office of the Divisional Transportation Superintendent, G. I. P. Railway, Bombay.

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Candidates called for interview and examination should attend at their own expense. A call to attend examination or interview will not imply offer of employment.

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. CHANDRAKUMAR KARSONDAS has contracted to sell to our client the undermentioned property. All persons having any claim to the said property by way of inheritance, gift, lease, lien, maintenance, mortgage, charge, sale or otherwise howsoever, are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Ready-money Mansion, Churchgate Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof. All other claims, if any, which are not so received will be considered as null, void and waived and the purchase will be completed without reference to any such claim.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

FIRST:—ALL THAT piece or parcel of land or ground of Foras tenure (tax redeemed) situate, lying and being off Haines Road in the City Registration District and Sub-District of Bombay, bearing Cadastral Survey No. 136 part of Lower Parel Division with the messuages, tenements and buildings standing thereon, containing by admeasurements 5400 sq. yds. or thereabouts together with 64 Kundis 64 Tanks and 40 Bhatis (Dhobi Ghat) situate thereon all of which premises are assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under 19 G Ward No. 1076(6), Street No. 81E Haines Road, G Ward No. 1076(8), Street No. 81 G Haines Road, G Ward No. 1076(8A), Street No. 81 G. A. Haines Road, G Ward No. 1076(9), Street No. 81 H Haines Road, G Ward No. 1076(10), Street No. 81 I Haines Road, G Ward No. 1076 (11A) Street No. 81 J A, G Ward No. 1076(11), Street No. 81 J and 1076(12A), Street No. 81 K. A. Haines Road.

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Dated this 4th day of April, 1945.

KANGA & CO.,
Purchasers' Attorneys.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

THE INDIA UNITED MILLS, LIMITED
NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS of The India United Mills, Limited will be closed from Friday, the 20th April, 1945, to Wednesday, the 16th May, 1945, both days inclusive.

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Bombay, 5th April, 1945.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

THE OPENING CEREMONY of KARACHI BRANCH of NATIONAL SAVINGS BANK, LIMITED, Bombay, was performed by the Hon'ble Sir Ghulam Hussain Hidayatullah, K.C.S.I., K.C.I.E., Premier of Sind, in the presence of a large gathering of distinguished businessmen of Karachi.

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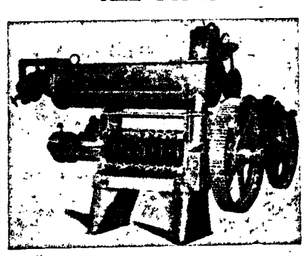

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Mr. Surya Kumar Basu, of Dacca, Bengal, Director: Dhakeswari Cotton Mills Ltd., Comilla Union Bank Ltd.

Mr. Ananda Mohon Poddar, President: Bangiya Mahajan Sabha, of Narayanganj, Bengal.

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Mr. Probhat Kumar Sircar, Merchant of Calcutta.

Mr. Sisir Kumar Dass, of Dassnagar, Bengal. Director: Dass Sugar Corpn., Ltd., Howrah Insurance Co., Ltd. Dass Bank Ltd., etc, etc.

OBJECTS

The Company has been formed mainly to charter, build & acquire steam or other ships, vessels, barges & lighters, and employ the same in the conveyence of passengers, goods, mail and merchandise, and for other objects set forth in the memorandum.

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AUDITORS

J. Sen & Co.,
Incorporated Accountants & Registered Accountants, 5, Hastings Street, Calcutta.

BROKERS

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Hindusthan Share Dealers Ltd., 22, Maharshi Debendra Road, Calcutta.

REGISTERED OFFICE

29, Strand Road, Calcutta.

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DOCUMENTS

Documents of the Company can be inspected at the Registered office

APPLICATION.

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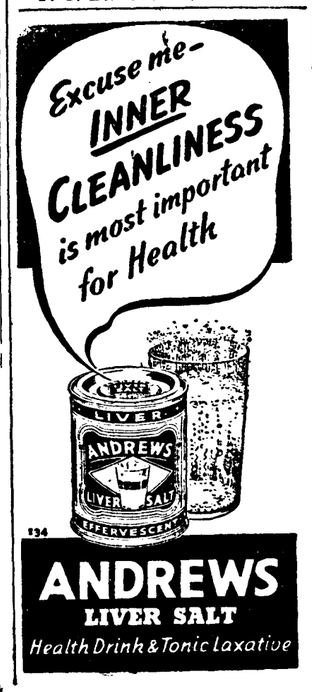

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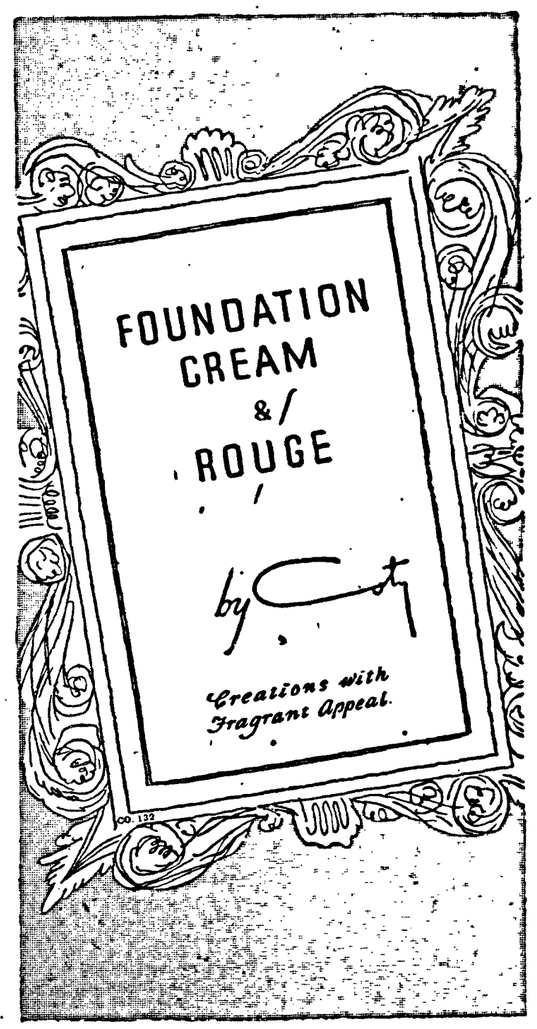

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